

Conduit for Investment

Pahlavi Influence Spread Across Economy of Iran

By Dan Morgan and Walter Pincus

WASHINGTON, Dec. 27 (WP) — The Shah of Iran's family-controlled Pahlavi foundation owned a peasant company whose profits went to support the family mausoleum.

Mohammed Reza Pahlavi, the deposed shah, and his relatives also were involved in and personally profited from far bigger businesses as well — mining and meatpacking, steel and aluminum, textiles and automobiles.

From the frills of the Iranian economy to its most basic industries, the Pahlavis were deeply involved.

"No one would risk capital in Iran without having a member of the royal family involved," said an American who worked in Tehran for many years. "That was the first law of business there."

Nearly a year after the shah was overthrown, an exact accounting of the family's wealth and business interests at home and abroad is nowhere near completed.

Dominating Force

Hundreds of documents inspected in Tehran, as well as interviews with dozens of Americans and Iranians there and in the United States provide a picture of an Iranian commercial structure dominated by the people who wielded the power of government, decreed the laws and approved the great industrial projects, the Pahlavis.

The family or its foundations owned hotel resorts and casinos on the Caspian Sea and received vast proceeds from the gambling there. They were, moreover, partners in major industrial ventures with such multinational partners as General Motors, John Deere, Fiat and Honda.

The shah's twin sister, Princess Ashraf, a woman so strong-willed that some said she was the only person the shah truly feared, had personal and allegedly lucrative control over a multimillion-dollar social services agency funded by the national lottery.

The shah's half-brother was able to purchase huge tracts of prime farming and timber land from the royal land office at a price described by his former aide as "very favorable." The prince then used the tracts on the Caspian to build up his fortune through cotton plantations and timber concessions.

Monopoly

When the Iranian government issued only one license to operate a duty-free warehouse in Alwaz through which passed most of the drilling equipment for oil fields there, that license went to a company controlled by the shah's nephew. The same company then became local agent for foreign equipment suppliers.

The shah himself would approve the major industrial projects for his closest relatives, acting as a benefactor for their financial gain. "He was not personally avaricious," said one former senior official in Tehran. "Accumulating money was not his preoccupation."

According to this friendly view, the shah tolerated abuses by his relatives because his eyes were set on a larger vision: an economically advanced Iran modeled on the United States.

Other Americans are more critical of the family, including the shah. "They were as avaricious as Middle Eastern rug merchants, as venal as they come," said a U.S. businessman with first-hand knowledge of the Pahlavi practices, "not only in what they did but in how they did it."

Major Issue

Today, the financial operations of the Pahlavis have emerged as a major issue between the Carter administration and the regime of Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini.

The ayatollah and his officials have charged that the Pahlavis plundered the wealth of Iran in collusion with money-loving Americans.

A legal action filed in a Tehran court 10 days ago by the Khomeini regime accused the deposed shah and his family of stealing \$600 million from the country. Ayatollah Khomeini repeatedly has linked return of the shah and his alleged riches to settlement of the dispute over the 50 Americans held hostage in Tehran.

U.S. officials strongly reject a linking of the two issues. Zbigniew Brzezinski, the U.S. national security affairs adviser, said earlier this month that even to discuss the shah's financial activities in the press might give hope to the Tehran militants.

Nonetheless, the role played by

the Pahlavi family's financial maneuverings in the shah's downfall has important implications for U.S. foreign policy that go beyond Iran and the hostage question.

In Saudi Arabia, Egypt, the Philippines, Morocco, Indonesia and other developing countries, U.S. political, economic and strategic fortunes are linked to a handful of wealthy ruling families presiding over systems that resemble in some ways the one that formerly existed in Iran.

In these countries, U.S. banks and companies function within economies in which payoffs, extortion and bribery are an accepted way of life and the ruler's approval is required for business deals.

As was the case in Iran, these are also countries in which important U.S. security arrangements or access to vital raw materials could be upset by political upheavals similar to those that overthrew the shah.

The intricate system of commissions and bribes that existed under the shah's rule goes back centuries. A well paid, western-style civil service does not exist in Iran or in many countries emerging from traditional village cultures.

Even now, Iranians take for granted that low-paid officials, even at the cabinet level, will supplement their incomes with gifts and commissions. That the royal family would grow wealthy through its influence was also accepted by many of the shah's subjects during the early part of his reign.

However, the enormous growth in Iran's oil revenues, starting in 1973, created possibilities for personal gain that the Iranians came to view as excessive. Ayatollah Khomeini's officials charged that the giant business deals after 1973 set the stage for giant corruption.

The officials have made available in Tehran documents that provide some insights into the personal wealth of the Pahlavis without fully tracing the funds the regime's court case alleges to be missing.

Funds to Jeweler

For example, records in the central bank show disbursements from government and non-government accounts to Swiss banks, and to a Manhattan jeweler. One series of documents from the Imperial land office, Amlak, requests Chase Manhattan Bank to send checks of \$100,000 and more to a New York jeweler.

These letters illustrate a central problem in understanding the Pahlavi finances — determining the dividing line between the Pahlavi private fortune and government funds.

The crest on the letters to Chase Manhattan symbolizes the ministry of court, a government body. But Amlak also was considered the land division of the Pahlavi Foundation, a private, family organization controlled by the shah.

As sole ruler, the shah could draw funds directly from the government treasury. The budget during the 1970s contained an account for his personal use that ranged from \$43 million one year to nearly \$1 billion in another, according to three separate sources in Tehran.

Records Destroyed

Finding proof for some allegations of Ayatollah Khomeini's regime has been hampered by several factors.

Some records have been destroyed or removed, while many sources of information still have not been tapped by investigators.

Complicating the investigation is the royal family's use of secret partners or intermediaries to participate indirectly in businesses. Members of the shah's most intimate entourage had far reaching business connections of their own.

One of the most ambitious foundation and Pahlavi family investments was Tehran's Farzad housing complex, a luxury apartment and townhouse development costing several hundred million dollars. At its heart was the West Tehran Development Co., a foundation enterprise.

Iranians put millions of dollars down to purchase apartments in the project, built by joint venture concerns in which the foundation or individual Pahlavi family members served as partners of foreign contractors.

Representatives of the Khomeini government who now run the Pahlavi Foundation — renamed the Alavi Foundation — are attempting to determine what happened to the money taken in by various Pahlavi family corporations involved in the project.



Portugal's premier, Maria de Lurdes Pintassilgo, meets the press after resigning.

Portugal Expects a New Cabinet by End of Year

LISBON, Dec. 27 (AP) — Maria de Lurdes Pintassilgo formally resigned today as premier of Portugal, opening the way for a new center-right government to take over before the end of the year.

Miss Pintassilgo handed in her resignation to President Antonio Ramalho Eanes 149 days after he named her to the job and 25 days after Francisco Sa Carneiro's center-right coalition of Social

Democrats, Center Democrats and monarchists won a majority in the National Assembly.

Mr. Sa Carneiro was due back from his Christmas holidays tomorrow and party aides said he was expected to select a Cabinet on New Year's Eve.

It will be Portugal's 12th government since the 1974 revolution ended half a century of rightist dictatorship.

Opposition Stiffens in Baluchistan

New Regional Revolt Threatened in Iran

By Pranay B. Gupta

ZAHEEDAN, Iran (NYT) — Suddenly, in a movement that was both theatrical and startling, Mohammed Mirza rose to his full six feet, raised his rifle above his turbaned head, and said: "Unless they get out of here fast, I promise you there will be more bloodshed. They have no business being here. This is the homeland of the Baluchis and they have oppressed us long enough."

Mr. Mirza was talking about the local representatives of the Iranian national government, men like Gov. Habib Gharibi, the hundreds of youthful revolutionary militiamen and the scores of administrators sent from many parts of the country to administer Baluchistan via Seistan, a remote southeastern province.

The Baluchis, in an area straddling the borders of Iran, Pakistan and Afghanistan, have a long history of opposition to central government. They contend that Iran has ignored their economic problems and played down their cultural aspirations.

But the Baluchi resentment of the central government has sharpened since the Iranian revolution and it culminated in the last week in gun battles in the streets. At least 12 men, including one revolutionary militiaman, have been killed and more than 80 persons have been injured.

Different explanations are offered here on why the unrest erupted last Thursday. A representative of Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini said that foreigners and troublemakers had come into Baluchistan to agitate; Ayatollah Mohammed Khatami, the spiritual leader of Baluchistan's minority Seistanis, who number about 110,000 and are Shiites like most Iranians, said that American and Communist agents had been acting as agents provocateurs.

And Mowlavi Abdul-Aziz Mollazadeh, the leader of the 550,000 Baluchis, who are Sunnis, charged that revolutionary militiamen had teamed up with "vicious elements" among the Seistanis and started the shooting. The ethnic rivalry be-

tween the poor Baluchis and the somewhat richer and better-educated Seistanis is traditional.

There seems to be an epidemic in the central government that whoever is standing for his own regional rights is an agitator or troublemaker or a foreigner," the Baluchi leader said at his mosque as he sat cross-legged on a thick Persian rug surrounded by a dozen turbaned, armed Baluchi tribesmen.

"Our feeling is that we want autonomy within Iran," Mr. Mowlavi Abdul-Aziz said. "We want outside officials to get out, and by that we mean first and foremost this terrible governor, Gharibi. We want all the Pasdaran [revolutionary militiamen] to get out, because they have been harassing us and molesting our women."

The 60-year-old Sunni leader continued: "If the central government does not deal with our situation realistically, there will be more clashes, many more clashes. You can be 100 percent sure of that."

Iran Aides Said to Back Freedom for 3 Hostages

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hishop of Algiers, said today on his return from Tehran. "I hope an act of clemency, of the broadest kind, will take place as soon as possible. My hopes are based on the benevolent attitude of the Iranian Foreign Ministry and also on the feeling of the Iranian people, since their attitude is so positive toward an act of clemency."

Cardinal Duval said that he and three American clergymen had seen 43 hostages during their Christmas Day visit to the U.S. Embassy. He added that he believed that six hostages he did not see were not interested in the Christmas services. A spokesman for the clergyman said that the students occupying the embassy claimed six of the hostages declined to attend the services.

Cardinal Duval was accompanied on his embassy visit by Monsignor Thomas Gumbleton, auxiliary bishop of the Roman Catholic archdiocese of Detroit; the Rev. William Sloan Coffin Jr. of the United Church of Christ, who is senior minister of New York's Riverside Church; and the Rev. William Howard Jr., a Baptist, who is president of the National Council of Churches.

The three clergymen stopped in London today on their way back to the United States. The clergyman said that they will not release the names of the 43 Americans they have seen in Tehran because they have personally contacted the hostages' families.

The clergymen declined comment on the fact that the new number of 49 left a discrepancy of one with the State Department figures.

The expanding of an international commission of inquiry into the alleged crimes of Mohammed Reza Pahlavi, the deposed shah, will lead to the release of the American hostages, Sean MacBride, a Nobel peace laureate, said in an interview published today in Paris.

Mr. MacBride, a former president of Amnesty International, returned to London today on grounds of national security.

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Militants Reject Agee Plan

HAMBURG, Dec. 27 (UPI) — Former CIA agent Philip Agee said today that he had proposed to the militants that they release the captives in exchange for complete CIA files on operations in Iran but that the militants had rejected the proposal.

He said that he made the proposal earlier this week and had offered to help to identify agents and operations on the hostages were released.

Mr. Agee also said that he is determined to overturn the revocation of his U.S. passport and said that he would fight the action in U.S. courts and in administrative hearings in West Germany. The State Department revoked his passport Sunday on grounds of national security.

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the Soviet reinforcements were to be part of the largest government offensive so far against Moslem rebels. A report received in New Delhi quoted an Afghan Army officer as saying that the government had planned an attack, possibly as early as this weekend, in the strategic province of Badkhashan in northeastern Afghanistan, which was overrun by the rebels two weeks ago.

Observers in New Delhi speculated that the coup was masterminded by Moscow. They said it appeared that the Russians kept Mr. Karnal and other Parcham cadres hidden away in Eastern European capitals for eventual replacement of Mr. Amin.

Sources in Afghanistan said that

Shift Toward Moscow Alleged

Suarez, Socialists Isolating Spain's Communist Party

By James M. Markham

MADRID, Dec. 27 (NYT) — The Spanish Communist Party, led by Santiago Carrillo, who once grabbed headlines with his barbed attacks on the Soviet Union, has fallen on hard times. Mr. Carrillo is no longer a frequent and privileged visitor to the palatial offices of Premier Adolfo Suarez. And the Socialists have been accusing the standard-bearer of independent-minded "Eurocommunism" of being on the take from Moscow.

"It is a danger to democracy to isolate the Communist Party," Mr. Carrillo has warned on several occasions. But Mr. Suarez has ignored the Communists' warnings and, in a major shift, has turned to the Socialists for support on several issues, most notably a "workers' statute" that guarantees union rights but also makes it slightly easier for companies to fire employees.

A prolonged and heated debate in the Cortes (parliament) over the statute opened rifts between the small Communist Party and the Socialists, who are the second-biggest party after Mr. Suarez's center-right grouping. In a passionate speech, Felipe Gonzalez, 37, the Socialist leader, implied that Mr. Carrillo and his comrades were sliding toward the "pure Stalinism" that surfaced four years ago in Portugal when the Communists there made their grab for power.

Earlier, in West Berlin, Mr. Gonzalez turned back allegations that his party was receiving money from West Germany by saying of the Spanish Communists: "We are absolutely sure that they are receiving aid from the countries of the east, the socialist aid." He suggested that Eastern European funds were helping to finance Mr. Carrillo's daily newspaper, Mundo Obrero.

Privately, Socialists here assert that the Spanish Communists are again receiving money from Moscow.

Whatever the truth of these charges, Mundo Obrero's editor rejected them, saying "we are poor, honorable and independent."

Mr. Carrillo is no longer lashing out against the failings of Soviet socialism, and his newspaper has passed up many opportunities to comment on human rights violations in Eastern Europe. Two years ago, when Mr. Carrillo was establishing his democratic credentials to a skeptical Spain, he was a conspicuous defender of Czech and Soviet dissidents.

By contrast, yesterday's issue of Mundo Obrero shows Mr. Carrillo talking with Yevgeni Tizhenitskiy, a member of the Soviet Communist Party Central Committee and the leader of a delegation that has been visiting the Spanish party. "We have seen that the Spanish Communists are in the front line of the struggle for the renovation of the country," remarked Mr. Tizhenitskiy, who attacked the NATO decision to go ahead with the installation of a new generation of missiles in Western Europe.

Without much fanfare, the Spanish Communists have condemned the NATO decision "to station North American missiles in Europe," adding that "any decision to maintain the military equilibrium in Europe should be taken on the basis of reducing, and not augmenting, the number of arms as is now the case in both blocs."

The reference to "both blocs" was, in the sarcastic opinion of one senior diplomat, "bait to Carrillo's head Eurocommunist conscience."

Mr. Carrillo, who will be 65 next month, attracted more attention by charging — at a time when the Soviet foreign minister, Andrei Gromyko, was in Madrid — that the CIA was "certainly" behind the Basque terrorist organization ETA. He later embarrassed his party by losing his composure in a televised debate on Marxism. "The guy seemed to be under pressure," said another Western diplomat. "I was wondering if he was beginning to crack."

The Communists' dilemma is that they remain a small political force — with 23 deputies in the 350-member lower house — and are now being challenged by the Socialists in their stronghold, organized labor. By striking a deal with the Suarez government on the workers' statute, the Socialists and their labor arm, the General Workers Union, are widely expected to be returned to power and other assets seized by the Franco regime at the conclusion of the civil war in 1939. This will weaken their weak organizational network.

The Socialist union has also reached a unilateral labor agreement with Spain's main employers' association, which recognized the role of unions in negotiating procedures. The Communists' big labor union, the Workers Commissions, prefers that negotiations be conducted at the individual plant committees, which the Communists are masters at controlling.

The split between the two main leftist parties has cheered Mr. Suarez and his partisans, who clearly hope that it will lead to a collapse of a pact in the nation's municipalities that has given the Socialists control of most major city governments in Spain.

50-50 Take Reported

Italy Terrorist Said to Te Of Organized Crime Link

MILAN, Dec. 27 (AP) — A convicted leftist terrorist reportedly has claimed that Italian urban guerrillas have links with crime organizations as well as with Palestinian and West German terrorists.

Investigators said that they were checking the claims of the statement of Carlo Fioroni, which was given to some magistrates and appeared in the Italian press today. Fioroni reportedly claimed that cooperation between terrorist groups and organized crime began in the early 1970s on the basis of 50-50 sharing of profits from kidnappings, holdups and other crimes "to finance activities of the armed groups."

He was said to have made a detailed account on how Italian terrorists, such as the Red Brigades and the Front Line, started their operations. Italian terrorists, according to the statement, trained at Palestinian bases and set up bases in France and Switzerland, and "pursued connections with West German armed groups."

Gold Price Sets Record; New York Close Is \$515

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dollars from oil revenues, Middle Eastern countries could disrupt the relatively small gold market. But bankers and Middle Eastern investment advisers contend that the governments there have not been entering the gold market. Instead, they say that the influx of Middle Eastern money has come from wealthy individuals who have bought gold for many of the same reasons that people from other countries have. They see an international financial crisis that has not been improving.

U.S. Seeks Votes at UN

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pean allies for a trade and credit squeeze on Iran, contend that a loosely worded resolution allowing most other countries to pick and choose what sanctions they would apply would be sufficient.

The United States is believed to be trying very hard to enlist China, which reportedly has promised not to veto a resolution but which has not committed itself to a yes vote, and the three African members: Gabon, Nigeria and Zambia.

The membership changes on Jan. 1 will bring into the council only one country, the Philippines, considered likely to support the United States. But, the sources said, that is likely to be offset by Gabon's replacement by Niger, which is regarded as more difficult to persuade, and by the fact that the seat now held by Bolivia will be vacant because of the Latin American bloc's inability to decide whether it should be taken by Cuba or Colombia.

Equatorial Guinea To Get UN Food Aid

ROME, Dec. 27 (AP) — The UN World Food Program is sending \$256,000 in emergency food aid to Equatorial Guinea to help feed 20,000 persons who had taken refuge in neighboring countries. A spokesman said that in the last 10 years more than 100,000 persons had taken asylum in other countries and that, after an amnesty declared by the present government, at least 20,000 of them were expected to return to Equatorial Guinea during the next few months.

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Mr. Amin took over from Mr. Taraki last September after a shoot-out in the formal royal palace, at a time when the Russians were believed to have forged an agreement with Mr. Taraki to ease up on reform measures in an effort to make the regime more popular. There were reports that Mr. Taraki was fatally wounded in the fight. Mr. Amin later said he died of natural causes.

Observers in New Delhi believe that Mr. Amin struck first, catching the Russians by surprise, at a time when Moscow planned to replace Mr. Taraki with Mr. Karnal. In this view, Moscow has now evened the score by overthrowing Mr. Amin.



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3 Mile Island Setback

Nuclear Industries Step Up Public Relations Programs

By David Burnham

WASHINGTON, Dec. 27 (NYT) — Nuclear industry leaders are stepping up their public relations programs in the wake of the Three Mile Island accident. The industry is now creating the Institute for Nuclear Power Operations, which will coordinate the design and operating procedures of reactors and the performance of those who run them.

Since then, the industry has formed the Nuclear Safety Analysis Center and is now creating the Institute for Nuclear Power Operations. Both are intended to improve the design and operating procedures of reactors and the performance of those who run them.

Because many of the broad public information programs are financed by hundreds of individual utilities and corporations around the United States, and because most of the industry's trade and lobbying organizations are engaged in activities other than information programs, the total cost of these efforts is impossible to estimate, although it certainly amounts to many millions of dollars a year.

Among the efforts: The Edison Electric Institute, the national trade association of the utility industry, conducts economic, technical and lobbying activities in addition to its information and advertising programs. Its overall budget this year was \$14.6 million.

The Atomic Industrial Forum, a trade association of utilities, reactor manufacturers and architect-engineers who operate, design and build reactors, also has a broad technical and lobbying operation in addition to its public relations programs. Its 1979 budget was \$3.2 million, of which \$1.6 million reportedly was set aside for public information programs.

The Committee for Energy Awareness, formed immediately after the Three Mile Island accident to provide a focused industry response to what was acknowledged as a major setback to nuclear energy, spent \$1.6 million in the last nine months of this year.

Many of the affected industries have also started their own energy information programs. Although only a small portion of these programs appear to be directly related to promoting nuclear power, the annual reports submitted to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission by the nation's 211 privately owned utilities provide an indication of the overall effort.

In reports filed in March, the latest reports available, the nation's 10 largest utilities reported spending \$419.4 million in 1978 for their information and instructional programs. Civic, political and related expenses were \$1.3 million. Charitable donations came to \$8.5 million.

Growing Cuban Presence Marks Nicaragua Neighbors

MANAMA CITY, Dec. 27 (UPI) — The presence of more than 2,000 Cubans in Nicaragua has caused a rift between the leftist Sandinista and three of their Central American neighbors.

Nicaraguan leaders paid visits to the countries this month in an attempt to repair relations, according to sources in Managua and Panama.

One source said Costa Rica, Honduras and even Panama, which ruled by a pro-Cuban government, all were angry about the Cubans in Nicaragua — but for different reasons.

Sandinista officials have complained the arrival of 1,200 Cuban soldiers in the last three months to launch a campaign to reduce the country's 70-percent illiteracy rate.

Cuba also sent 1,200 doctors, nurses and medical technicians to rebuild a public health system shattered by 18 months of warfare against former President Anastasio Somoza.

Sources in Nicaragua also complained the presence of Cuban military advisers and at the Managua air base, used jointly by commercial airlines and Sandinista military forces.

Although there have been no confirmed reports of Cuban military advisers in Nicaragua, neighboring Honduras complained that some Cuban "teachers" had been spotted.

Obscure Letter Bolsters Theory On Origin of Monroe Doctrine

WILLIAMSBURG, Va., Dec. 27 (UPI) — A professor at the College of William and Mary says that a long-overlooked letter in the archives of the college apparently buttresses historians who believe that the Monroe Doctrine was intended to play Russia and Britain against France.

Dr. Edward Czapoff says his research into the 1823 declaration has led to an obscure letter, dated Sept. 7, 1831, from John Quincy Adams, secretary of state under President James Monroe, to Richard Rush, U.S. representative to England.

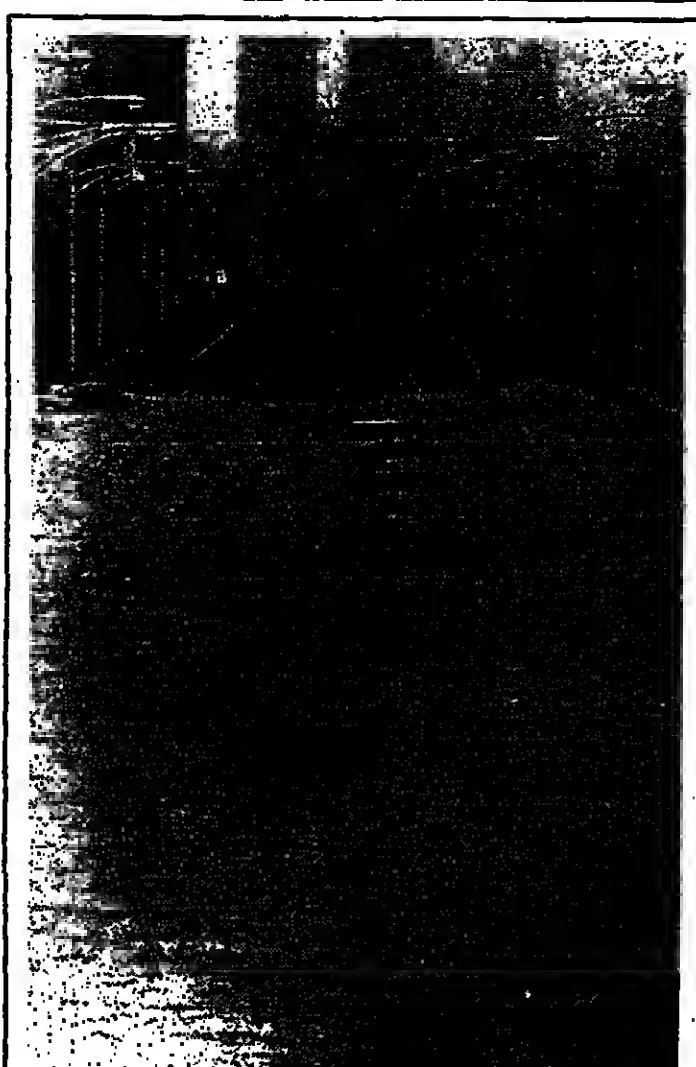
Adams, who is generally acknowledged as the chief architect of the doctrine, wrote the letter less than eight years after promulgation of the doctrine, which stated that the Americas were closed to further European colonization.

The most important aspect of the Adams letter for historians is the pattern of diplomatic maneuvering it reveals, Prof. Czapoff said. The declaration itself was first made in a secret communication from me to Baron Tylly, the Russian minister," Adams wrote. "I supposed to Mr. Monroe that it should be made, and after some hesitation and deliberate reflection, he agreed to it."

Adams acknowledged Rush's diplomatic role by commenting that "your secret conferences with Mr. (George) Canning [the British foreign secretary] and mine with Baron Tylly both concurred in leading to it."

Because the doctrine was directed at both Russia and Britain, Prof. Czapoff said, "it was intended to dissuade Russia from its 'pretensions' on the northwest coast of North America." Adams thought that Czar Alexander I of Russia would accept the principle because he would see it as operating primarily against Britain, the professor said.

"The declaration was aimed at Great Britain, the one nation above all that needed to be contained to assure Adams' ambitions for American territories in the Western Hemisphere," Prof. Czapoff said.



CHICAGO FLOOD — Three cars are trapped in a flood on South Shore Drive in Chicago after heavy rains and 50-mph winds off Lake Michigan. The water was 4 feet deep in some areas. Mile-long stretch of roadway was closed.

20% Reduction Considered

U.S. to Cut Salvador Staff As Leftist Violence Grows

By Graham Hovey

WASHINGTON, Dec. 27 (NYT) — The United States has decided to reduce its embassy staff and other official missions in El Salvador because of violence and threats by leftist revolutionary groups, administration officials said yesterday.

The officials were reluctant, however, to discuss the projected withdrawal for fear of giving an impression of a lack of confidence in the new Salvadoran government, to which the administration has pledged its strong support.

Even before the coup of Oct. 15, in which the Salvadoran armed forces replaced the government of Gen. Carlos Humberto Romero with a five-member civilian-military junta, the United States had been reducing its official representation.

Earlier this year, 232 persons for all U.S. agencies were authorized but, the officials said, only about 190 of those positions were filled.

They said that by mid-December, the overall number of U.S. officials and staff had been cut to 147, including State Department and foreign service personnel and Peace Corps volunteers or staff members. The officials put the number of dependents at about 75.

They said that the number still to be withdrawn had yet to be determined. One official said, however, that a cut of about 20 percent had been considered and another said that it was hoped to reduce the number of dependents to about 30.

All the officials emphasized that the withdrawals were being made for security reasons and did not imply any lack of confidence in the junta, which has three civilian and two military members, or the Cabinet, in which only the defense minister is from the armed forces.

U.S. Women Was Held

Three leftist revolutionary organizations continue their opposition to the government despite its promises to end the repressive policies of Gen. Romero and hold free elections. A crowd of about 300 leftists attacked the U.S. Embassy on Oct. 30 for 45 minutes but was repelled by Salvadoran troops.

A Peace Corps social worker, Deborah Loff, 25, was held hostage with 12 Salvadorans for 10 days earlier this month in a San Salvador market by leftist guerrillas.

South Africa's ambassador, Archibald Dunn, was kidnapped by an organization called the People's Liberation Front as he left his embassy Nov. 28 and is still being held.

Officials said the leftist organizations had stepped up their threats to the U.S. Embassy and personnel in recent weeks, prompting the decision to further reduce number of personnel in El Salvador.

The administration has asked Congress to authorize a total of \$11.2 million in various kinds of assistance to El Salvador for the 1980 fiscal year that began Oct. 1. In addition, the administration is revising other programs to provide another \$5 million to El Salvador, primarily for budget and balance-of-payments support.

Arrested Aug. 1 on charges of smuggling hashish, she was freed on \$1,500 bail Tuesday by a Turkish court. The court scheduled another hearing on her case for Feb. 5, but did not bar her from leaving Turkey. Her attorney said she had permission to leave.

Miss Dooley was kept under wraps after she left Sagmalchik Prison yesterday, where she was held under conditions described as crowded and filthy. She spent last night in a hotel.

U.S. Woman, 18, Freed by Turkey, To Leave Today

ISTANBUL, Dec. 27 (UPI) — Loreta Dooley, an 18-year-old Californian imprisoned here for five months, completed the paperwork today in preparation for her flight tomorrow to the United States.

Miss Dooley had been scheduled to fly to New York today on her way home to Tracy, Calif., but her departure was delayed for one day, apparently because paperwork on her release had to be completed.

Miss Dooley's lawyer said she was at a Turkish police station today filling out forms. The U.S. consulate said she would leave tomorrow.

Leadership Shake-Up Confirmed by Khmer Rouge

From Agency Dispatches

BANGKOK, Dec. 27 — The Khmer Rouge radio today officially announced the leadership shake-up that puts President Khieu Samphan at the head of the Cambodian guerrilla government, whose sole aim, according to a Cambodian official in Peking, is resistance to Vietnam — not ideology or building socialism.

The broadcast, believed to have been transmitted from southern China, said that Pol Pot had been replaced as leader because of the need for a united front with various Cambodian factions against the Vietnamese.

It was also announced that Pol Pot would retain his position as head of the guerrilla army fighting the Vietnamese forces, which invaded Cambodia a year ago and replaced the Pol Pot government by one headed by Heng Samrin.

The radio said that Khieu Samphan, 48, who retained his title as president and chief of state of Democratic Kampuchea, also was elected provisional chairman of the "Patriotic and Democratic Front of the Great National Union of Cambodia." He will be assisted by two deputy premiers — Ieng Sary and Son Sen.

The appointments were temporary until elections can be held under UN supervision, the broadcast said.

The broadcast, which was monitored here, confirmed Thai military intelligence reports that circulated in Bangkok last week, but quashed rumors that Pol Pot had been executed after he was driven from power.

Western diplomats interpreted the changes as a bid by the Khmer Rouge to improve its international image in the face of strong Soviet and Vietnamese pressure on the United Nations to withdraw its recognition of the Khmer Rouge government.

Appeal to West

Meanwhile, the Khmer Rouge government's ambassador to China, Pich Cheang, openly appealed to the United States and other capitalist countries for support in the struggle against Vietnam.

Adding that Cambodians of all political beliefs are welcome in the government at all levels, Pich Cheang said today in Peking that if Vietnam was left unchecked, other Indochinese countries would become targets of Vietnamese aggression.

He charged that Vietnam's expansionist policy is supported by the Soviet Union, with the aim of

Firms of Israel, Egypt Sign Pact For News Trade

JERUSALEM, Dec. 27 (WP) — The first direct trade contract between Egyptian and Israeli firms has been signed by news distributors from both countries, and in less than three weeks bundles of newspapers and magazines will be trucked in both directions across the Sinai Peninsula and the Suez Canal on a daily basis.

The signing comes as Israel is preparing to complete its interim withdrawal from approximately half the Sinai on Jan. 26 and the process of normalization of relations between Egypt and Israel after 31 years of hostility and war, began to accelerate.

As a result of the agreement, Israeli publications in Hebrew, Arabic and English will be sold in all major Egyptian cities, and Egyptian newspapers and magazines will be sold throughout Israel and in the occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip.

Meanwhile, government officials said an Israeli technical team will go to Cairo next week to look at potential sites for the Israeli Embassy. The following week, an Egyptian team will visit Tel Aviv for the same purpose. On Jan. 26, negotiations will be established in both countries, and a month later ambassadors will be exchanged.

Pol Pot Replaced, But Keeps Army Role



Pol Pot



Khieu Samphan

putting the Russians in control of the Malacca Strait, which separates the China Sea from the Indian Ocean.

"Peace and justice loving countries have a common interest with countries in this region," the ambassador said. "All of them have a role to play including the United States."

He said his government had sent

a telegram in August to Prince Norodom Sihanouk, Cambodia's head of state until 1969, offering him the job of president of the "Patriotic and Democratic Front of Great National Union of Cambodia."

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Pich Cheang said he had sought a meeting with Prince Sihanouk, who lives most of the time in the Chinese capital, but had never received a reply.

The Cabinet changes were decided at a Dec. 15-17 meeting of 167 Khmer Rouge National Assembly members and army leaders in the guerrilla-controlled mountains of southwestern Cambodia.

Radio Phnom Penh, voice of the Heng Samrin government, condemned the announced changes as "an open farce which offers the same personages of an old play with a slight modification in the assignment of roles."

The Phnom Penh broadcast said Pol Pot, "under the cloak of a reshuffled Cabinet," hopes to gain time "to consolidate a destroyed army and deceive public opinion."

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French Nuclear Plant

PARIS, Dec. 27 (AP) — The French power utility EDF has agreed to build a nuclear power station, at Flamanville, in northern France, according to an agreement in the Official Journal. The station is to have two 1,300-megawatt pressurized water reactors.

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Too Much Regulation . . .

Congress is attacking the regulatory agencies with a vengeance. The heaviest fire during the session just ended was directed at the Federal Trade Commission, which has moved too vigorously to suit some industries and their congressional allies. But the anti-regulatory spirit spread even further. Congress, for example, passed legislation to exempt many planes from noise regulations, the House voted to give Congress veto power over pesticide controls, and the Senate acted to weaken enforcement of strong strip-mining rules. Before this cascade turns into a rampage, Congress had better consider the damage it may do and the problems that it could bring upon itself.

Resentment of regulations is easy to understand. As the rules increase, so do those who feel oppressed by them. Regulation often means extra costs. National priorities have also changed; for instance, mining coal now seems more important to many Americans than the damage of strip mining. Arrogance and obstructionism by groups that use the regulatory process to impose their will breed opposition, as does wide, if covert, resentment against affirmative action.

But steps have already been taken to improve the climate. White House review groups try now to ensure that the total costs of major regulations are estimated in advance. President Carter is trying, again, to reduce federal paper work. Some regulators are trying hard to make rules cost-effective and to avoid nitpicking.

Congress, however, is in danger of pushing this reaction too far. More and more, it wants to influence or override rules painstakingly devised by some regulatory agency. Yet Congress lacks the staff, time and expertise for the task. It is also vulnerable to undue pressures. Special interest groups have been exploiting the country's vague sentiment against regulation to justify conventional lobbying. Witness the hospital industry's successful campaign against cost controls, or the

pesticide lobby's attempt (so far unsuccessful) to get Congress to rehabilitate Mirex, a banned chemical.

If Congress rolls back the regulations, old problems will reappear. Contaminated food, wasted natural environments and consumer fraud are not the sort of things most people want to augment. As one regulatory analyst puts it: "One person's red tape is another's sacred protection." The danger is that regulation may be impeded where it has barely begun — as in the control of toxic wastes and carcinogens.

The regulatory agencies are neither infallible nor sufficiently accountable to the public. There is, and should be, a body that can overrule their judgments when necessary. But for the reasons that led to the insulation of regulators in the first place, that power is best used sparingly. When Congress tries to outlaw a requirement that funeral homes disclose their prices, it is playing favorites, not fostering efficiency.

Congress' main duty is to look to the laws that create and govern the regulatory process, not to second-guess individual regulations. A good focus of this broader debate would be the regulatory reform bill recently proposed by Sens. Culver and Laxalt; it seeks to streamline the process without losing valued protections. Beyond that, Congress should be guiding the regulators by prescribing the public's priorities. In weighing any decision, for example, should the regulators favor energy? The environment? Other?

Often legislators make it impossible to choose among values. Congress got upset when the regulators tried to ban saccharin — but that ban was proposed, in part, because a law passed years ago forbade adding a carcinogen to food under any circumstances. Just as the regulators seem to be re-evaluating their performance, Congress needs to think about its own.

THE NEW YORK TIMES.

. . . Or Not Enough?

In a recent letter to the editors of Science magazine, a noted drug researcher pleaded against classifying chemicals as either positive or negative carcinogens. Clear and simple distinctions between chemicals that do and don't cause cancer, he suggested, are useful, but they also distort reality.

A messier, but more accurate, picture would identify at least three types of carcinogens: a chemical that, by itself, causes tumors in a healthy individual; a chemical that can cause cancer only in an animal whose resistance has been lowered by other circumstances, like stress or illness; and third, a "promoter" chemical — a substance that increases the effects of other carcinogens that may be everywhere in the environment. This classification approximates reality more closely. But it also poses nearly insurmountable problems for regulators whose job is to set safe standards of exposure to particular substances for millions of individuals who are differently exposed to dozens, if not hundreds, of different cancer risks.

A good example of the kind of controversy that can ensue is the case of saccharin and other artificial sweeteners. Last week, the results of a study of the linkage between artificial sweeteners and bladder cancer were announced. The study was commissioned because earlier studies had produced contradictory results: Some showed an 80 percent increased risk for male users, while others showed no linkage at all. If the measure of

success was to determine once and for all whether saccharin is or is not a carcinogen, it was hardly successful. But it did produce some important insights.

The results showed that risk of bladder cancer increased 60 percent for heavy users of artificial sweeteners — defined as those who have six or more servings a day of a sugar substitute or two or more eight-ounce glasses of diet soda. It confirmed that men are more susceptible than women, but showed a lower risk than earlier studies. It also revealed a connection between use of the sweeteners and cigarette smoking: Heavy smokers who also used the sweeteners heavily had a significantly higher risk of bladder cancer than heavy smokers who did not use them.

While the results are still preliminary, the study's authors believe it shows that saccharin and cyclamates acting alone increase the risk of bladder cancer, and are apparently also promoters of other carcinogens.

While these results clarify the situation somewhat, they are unlikely to ease substantially the confusion in the minds of most consumers. Nor do they simplify the regulators' problem: What levels of exposure to artificial sweeteners pose an acceptable level of risk? It appears that until the biological events underlying cancer are understood — and that is likely to lie many years away — confusion and controversy over the proper regulation of carcinogens will be a constant and continued presence.

THE WASHINGTON POST.

International Opinion

Carter's Even Hand

So far . . . the policy of Mr. Carter has been well conceived.

He has not set deadlines or committed himself to irrevocable actions. He has played for time and very slowly increased the pressure while giving the American people sufficient impression of action to avoid losing their confidence. He is now approaching an area of greater risk. Too little pressure could persuade people that he was bluffing.

Too much could harden resistance in Iran and weaken the position of the moderates.

The middle road is narrowing. In finding his way along it he needs the sensitive support of his allies.

— From the Times (London).

India's Shrewd Electorate

It is all too evident that India, with its responsible army and inherited traditions, will only for a short time put up with loss of its freedoms.

If the Indian electorate is as shrewd as it was two years ago, it will not welcome back Mrs. Gandhi with open arms. It will stay away from the polls, support what rivals are still capable of support and — who knows? — make a coalition government necessary. The former prime minister in short, will be given the most provisional of mandates. It will then be up to her to erase the memories of the recent past.

— From the Guardian (London).

In the International Edition

Seventy-Five Years Ago

December 28, 1904

ST. PETERSBURG — It is putting it mildly to say that the Imperial manifesto issued this morning has aroused sentiments of extreme disappointment. The ideas of broad national reform that had been built up are answered by vague promises of peasant reforms. The second paragraph of the ukase reads: "Surveying the wide domain of the uttermost needs of the people, we regard as urgent the adoption of effective measures for safeguarding the law in its full force as the most important pillar of the throne of the autocratic Empire, in order that its inviolable fulfillment for all alike shall be regarded as a first duty for all authorities and in all places subject to us."

Fifty Years Ago

December 28, 1929

LOUISVILLE — The Christmas Day lynching of Chester Fugate, a prisoner who was torn out of the Jackson jail and shot and thrown down a cliff, has been revealed as a new eruption of an ancient Kentucky feud, which has been smoldering for years. In 1926, after a short truce between warring members of the Fugate and Watkins families, Deputy Green Watkins fell under the fire of one of Fugate's cousins. When Chester Fugate was clapped into jail several days ago in another murder charge connected with the feud, members of the Watkins family believed that the time for revenge had come. One hundred persons stormed Jackson jail and seized Fugate, as prisoners were sorting modest gifts.



More Lessons From Vietnam

By Anthony Lewis

BOSTON — At this season, seven years ago, the United States was carrying out the most intensive bombing campaign the world had ever known: the Christmas bombing of North Vietnam. Over 11 days, B-52s and other planes made 2,000 strikes on Hanoi and Haiphong.

The memory of that violent episode is dim. But each year at this time it has seemed important to me to think about the bombing for a moment, to reflect on its meaning — or its pointlessness. And in 1979 the reasons for remembering are more urgent, for strenuous voices are inviting Americans to repeat the folly that led us to Vietnam and the Christmas bombing.

This has been the year of the Vietnamese boat people, of Vietnam's occupation of Cambodia and of the great Cambodian hunger. These events have been seized upon by some Americans to argue that critics of our war in Indochina were wrong. Look how unpleasant the Communists in Hanoi really are, these people say — how callous, how naked in their ambition to dominate Southeast Asia; you critics of the war kept us from resisting them when we could.

No Illusion

But few of those who opposed the war did so under the illusion that Gen. Giap was a kindhearted liberal. The argument, rather, was that the United States had misunderstood the cultural and political forces at work in Indochina — that it was in a position where it could not impose the solution it desired except at a price too costly to itself. And that argument is as plainly right today as it was when made during the war.

In 1979 we heard from Henry Kissinger, among others, that we should have maintained a non-Communist South Vietnam, and would have if Watergate had not sapped our "will." But how, exactly, would we have kept Saigon alive? By reintroducing U.S. troops? Not even Mr. Kissinger in his most sanguine moments could believe that a realistic possibility. How, then? By the threat and the actuality of bombing?

That was the real, though never stated, purpose of the Christmas bombing: to establish a pattern, a level of violence that America would be prepared to repeat if necessary to maintain the agreed peace. It was a warning to Hanoi and a promise to Saigon. But once the United States had withdrawn, could a U.S. president really have carried out another Christmas bombing?

Mr. Kissinger answered that question this year in his memoirs. It was inconceivable, he said, that a

U.S. president could not use the means necessary to enforce a peace agreement. He had given Saigon President Nixon's assurance that he would act against violations, and that assurance was repeated publicly in the United States by Mr. Nixon, himself and others.

The Kissinger argument was demolished by McGeorge Bundy in a coldly devastating analysis in the winter issue of Foreign Affairs. No public promise of military intervention was ever made, Mr. Bundy showed — and for a good reason: The U.S. public would not have stood for any such military commitment, and neither would Congress.

In short, the only way the United States could have gone on enforcing its desired solution was by presidential war, secretly planned. That was the very pattern that got us into the disaster in Vietnam in the first place.

And we would have had to fight by a method of which we had become ashamed: massive bombing, defoliation and the like. Today there is concern about the inadvertent effects of the herbicide Agent Orange on U.S. soldiers who were nearby when it was dropped. How about the effects on the Vietnamese? By the time the peace was signed in 1973, many Americans had decided they did not want to fight that way.

Much more than Vietnam is involved in the arguments made today, of course. We are told that we must be strong, that we need greater credibility in the world. Toward those ends we must sharply increase our military power, we must release intelligence agencies from limits on covert action, we must act more aggressively around the world.

Strength

Yes, the United States must be strong and credible; the world has never needed this country's resolution more. But those qualities do not consist only of military force, or of the readiness to use it with abandon.

Strength lies also in the self-confidence of a great power, in the maturity of its people and the wisdom of its leaders. I have just been in Europe, and many people there told me that respect for the United States was higher than it had been for years because of the restraint Americans had shown in the Iranian crisis. Only the strong can be restrained.

Nor can the United States be strong by abandoning its own institutions — another lesson of Vietnam. Mr. Kissinger, who has never learned the lesson, said there was a failure of democracy when Congress stopped the bombing of Cambodia. Most of us understand now that there must be respect for con-

stitution in foreign policy, and for U.S. moral traditions.

As to credibility, was it enhanced when Mr. Kissinger and Mr. Nixon kept the United States fighting in Vietnam for four more years, to the same inevitable end? When they intervened so cruelly in Cambodia? We spent \$30 billion on the war in those years, and lost 20,942 American lives. Did the world believe in us more?

What we learned in Vietnam, and have to keep recording, is that there are limits to what the greatest power can do. When Iranian terrorists take hostages, it does no good to reply in kind — even if we could remain true to ourselves in doing so. It is not a Manichean world, all light or dark. The choices are complicated, and there is no substitute for patience.

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The Choice Before India

Jonathan Power

LONDON — Mrs. Indira Gandhi did not have good reason to think the gods are on her side. While she was prime minister, and running the country under a state of emergency, the monsoons arrived on time and India's food production broke all records. But while India is preparing for its general election Jan. 3 and while she is fighting for her political comeback, the monsoon has failed. And India is facing its worst drought in 25 years.

A major plank in Mrs. Gandhi's electoral platform is that when she ruled India, the farmers were never so productive, the trains never so punctual, and prices were low.

The opposition is in dismay before the onslaught of this formidable politician. It has become a widely accepted cliché that only Mrs. Gandhi can provide the coherence and toughness the country needs.

Examination

But before coming to that judgment it would be well to examine Mrs. Gandhi's record. What evidence there is indicates that her economic achievements were not as star-studded as she suggests. During her 11 years of government, from 1966 to 1977, the number of unemployed rose from 900,000 to 2.3 million. The number of landless increased sharply, as did the number of people living below subsistence. The crime rate generally rose during her administration. It only fell during the emergency. The same is true of the number of days lost due to labor unrest.

It is also important not to overlook what her opposition succeeded in doing while they held power. When Mr. Morarji Deasai was prime minister and Mr. Charan Singh, his successor, was finance minister, India engaged in a major reversal of its economic priorities. The town was out and the countryside was in. Taxes were increased on hundreds of items of urban consumption while taxes on fertilizer were reduced and subsidies provided. The duty on light diesel oil used by irrigation pumps was cut sharply. Village and small-scale industries were exempted from tax increases on products where they compete with large urban-based industries.

Mr. Deasai and Mr. Singh are convinced that it is possible, even with a fast rate of population growth, to stop the rot in the rural areas. It will take time to see the results of their efforts, but there is no doubt that they took hold of a problem Mrs. Gandhi had largely ignored.

The question everyone is asking

The New Decade Needs New Solution

By James Reston

WASHINGTON — At the end of the old year and the beginning of a new decade, nobody seems to have the answer to the problems that are troubling America, but at least some people are asking some good questions.

For example, Derek Bok, the president of Harvard University, made some observations this year that are relevant to our national predicament. Were we educating our children for the world of the future or for a world of unlimited personal and group interests that is gone?

His theme was that in the United States we are becoming isolated and separated from one another, just when we are losing our control of essential resources and our economic and military dominance, and therefore need a new spirit of national cooperation, national purpose and unity.

Diversity

For generations, he observed at the Harvard alumni exercises last June, we have honored diversity in the United States by encouraging the growth of many different groups — economic, ethnic, occupational, and sectional — all free to express themselves with occasional help from the government to set the rules by which we live.

"Yet today," he observed, "America no longer seems diverse so much as it seems split asunder into innumerable special interests. We read daily of gay power, gay power, red power, black power, umbrella and frost-belt, environmentalists and hardhats; industrial groups, professional groups, educational groups — all more conscious of their rights, all more aware of their claims on the rest of society."

"This process seems less and less satisfactory, either to the participants or to the public as a whole. . . . When so many groups organize to protect their special interests, the politics of activism can become a politics of immobility, and we find ourselves unable to reach effective solutions for inflation, energy shortages, environmental issues or other national problems."

This sad refrain, of course, is as old as the history of human selfishness, but it is being discussed here now as a serious threat to the well-being of the republic. The leaders of the executive and legislative branches feel trapped in a series of confrontations they can resolve, if at all, only with endless compromises that do not really deal with the problems of the nation.

The candidates for the presidency agree on nothing these days except that their process of fund-raising, hard-shaking, poll-taking and propaganda through 30 state primary elections is a farce that exhausts their energies, divides their families, bores the voters, and diminishes the influence of the U.S. government at home and abroad for over a whole year.

These are structural problems in

our governmental process of making laws and electing presidents that baffle our political leaders, they are not alone in feeling at the end of the '70s that there is something seriously wrong with the politics of confrontation, that one-party politics and separate interests are overwhelming the interests of the nation at a critical point in its relations with the American people, whole and the rest of a changing world.

The press has a similar problem. As the confidence and loyalty of people to the major political parties have declined, and the quarrelsome voices of the United States have gone out from the White House, State Department and Capitol, the voice of the U.S. press, and television has taken on an influence — for example in Iran, which it did not want or admit, and still does not quite know how to handle in its own or the nation's interest.

Like Mr. Carter and the leaders of Congress, and also like the candidates for the presidency, the newspapers and the networks are confronted by a new conflict between their old procedures of the past and their new responsibilities in a changing world.

Changes

The importance of Derek Bok's speech at Harvard is not that he covered the dangers of putting social and group interests in United States ahead of the national interest — many people on his campus had rung that warning long before — but that he and his colleagues on the Harvard faculty decided to do something about it.

They did not presume to do for the nation, or to blame the politicians for the selfishness and ure of the "no-fault," "do-nothing" "Me-generation." They merely, by agreement between the faculty and the administration at Harvard, changed core curriculum of studies to bring the isolation of the law, medicine, political and philosophical schools or at least to encourage the work with one another.

"Today, we still need special skills," Mr. Bok said. "But we have an even greater need for people who are not only experts in their chosen field but who are helping different parts of the city to co-exist, more harmonious to work together in pursuit of common goals."

This may be the major challenge of all U.S. institutions in the not only to change the structure of electing presidents and laws, but to change the way we think among their people, the personal problems and the sense of special interests in the future. As Mr. Lincoln said at the end of the War Between the States, our world is new, we must learn it anew. Maybe the critical question of the election of 1980 is among the candidates will be to define these issues for the decade.

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is, will Mrs. Gandhi, if elected, revert to autocratic rule? She stoutly maintains the events of 1975 were an exception, never to return. Many observers are not so sure. They think she may begin well, but once the problems pile up she will be tempted to resort to authoritarian methods. Others argue that she has learned the hard way that India's democratic traditions are stronger than her dictatorial impulses.

Emergency

Can one forget what the emergency was? Triggered by the decision of the Allahabad high court, which found her guilty of corrupt election practices, thousands of people were imprisoned without trial, newspapers were censored, elections were postponed indefinitely, and judges who disagreed with her were fired.

To read the report of the commission of inquiry presided over by Justice J.C. Shah, a retired chief justice, is to recall the manner in which she achieved her goals. It reprints the letter Mrs. Gandhi sent to the president of India asking him to declare the proclamation of emergency.

"Information has reached me which indicates that there is an imminent danger to the security of India. . . . I would have liked to have taken this to the Cabinet, but unfortunately it is not possible tonight."

Why the urgency? Justice Shah found that there had been no reports from the state governors indicating that law and order were breaking down. Neither the intelligence bureau nor the Ministry of Home Affairs had submitted re-

ports expressing anxiety about internal situation.

Justice Shah also found that Gandhi had begun her preparations for the emergency at least days before she wrote to the president. There was ample time to consult the Cabinet.

Mrs. Gandhi does not have answers. She attempts unsuccessfully to make out that Shah's carefully conducted investigation was a one-sided charade as she was in possession of information that justified her actions.

What kind of prime minister would she be, if elected once again? Measured against her public val, Mr. Jagjivan Ram. It is clear between them. He is tainted by the emergency, held an important Cabinet post through most of it. On the East-West issues there that separates them. They occupy the traditional middle of Indian politics. On one issue, the renunciation of their development of nuclear arms, she appears to be a step ahead.

Mrs. Gandhi, doubtless, has a sense of dignity and will-India, for that is her style, other hand, if Mr. Ram is fact that he is an untouchable is an important sign that attempting to cut at least not with its past. Moreover, it although he went along with Gandhi's emergency, he is man who would initiate his!

Next week, India's three million voters will cast the d-

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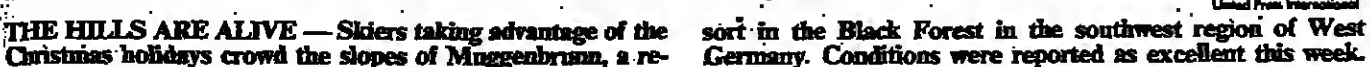
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Dissident Soviet Writers Warn Against Protest Plan

Writers' Union could weaken the position of all the creative forces of our country's literature. We understand that you are guided by feelings of honor and justice, yet we urge you to be prudent. We do not want your future as writers to be wrecked."

Israeli Marriage Stirs Religious Tension

But, Mr. Popov said yesterday in an interview, there appears to have been a last-minute falling-out within the literary establishment. When the governing secretariat of the Russian Book Fair branch met Tues-

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Figure 1. The effect of the number of trials on the number of correct responses.

COMPANY	INDUS.	1979 HIGH-LOW	CLOS. PRICE Dec. 27	HIGH-LOW WEDNESDAY	P/B	YIELD (%)	EARN. PER SHARE— 76, 77, 78	SPES. OUTS. (000)	LATEST COMPANY NEWS
BANQUE ROTHSCHILD	Bank	Fr51.40 - 25	152	152.70 - 150	31	6.9	33.17 - 13.51 - 4.68	13,284	Results of bank and most of its subsidiaries will show progress for full year 79.
BOUTIGUES	Construct.	995 - 412	509	570 - 570	4	7.5	30.34c - 83.00c - 133.48c	600	1979 turnover should reach 5.5 billion francs, up by 2% over 1978.
BST GERVAIS DANONE	Glass food	1000 - 451.50	892	908 - 905	45	3.4	26.12c - 6.04c - 19.69c	2,332	1st semester 79 consolidated turnover = 6,137 MF (+12%).
CHARGEURS REUNIS	Shipping Air transport	266 - 185	205	205 - 205	9	6.1	13.34 - 16.50c - 22.40c	1,866	Subsidiary UTA, 9 months 79 sales 1,259 MF (+1.26% vs. 9 months 78).
CHIMIQUE ROUTIERE	Public works	168.80 - 123	134	139 - 138.50	8	6.3	24.40c - 14.51c - 16.80c	1,672	1st semester 79 carnal. turnover = 3,201 bil. Fr. vs. 2,814 bil. Fr. = 78 (+6.7%).
CREDIT COM. DE FRANCE	Bank	177 - 125.80	177	177 - 177	10	4.8	14.08c - 15.90c - 17.35c	5,768	1st sem. 79 net carnal. profit = 50.72 MF vs. 32.75 MF in 78 (+55%).
CREUSOT-LOIRE	Heavy ind.	Fr 50 - 52	38.90	38.50 - 38.50	—	—	-5.50c — — —	3,684	Parent company turnover for first 9 months 79 = 4,334 MF (+3.7%).
ELF - AQUITAINE	Petrol	1385 - 445	1260	1265 - 1260	15	1.4	55.63c - 97.00c - 83.00c	17,729	Sopranis 78-79 net dividend of Fr. 8.30 to be paid December 28.
EURAFRANCE	Hotel	387 - 303	321.60	330 - 321.60	4	4.0	54.30c - 69.50c - 81.60c	2,193	Net profit for year ending Sept. 1978 = 50.56 MF.
FERROD S.A.F.	Equip. Autom.	445.10 - 310	321	330 - 330	4	6.4	73.01c - 78.50c - 73.70c	2,204	1st sem. 79 carnal. turnover = 2,100 MF up 23% vs. same period 78.
INTEL	Mining	82.50 - 52	61	62.30 - 62.30	13	6.2	538 - 473 - 4.55	7,944	Tekaserv of Hyuron by Molins 3 for 4 issues of Molins shares.
MATRA	Electronic	9000 - 4899	7600	7900 - 7870	13	1.2	99.79 - 339.70 - 580	259	Matra acquires 255,735 Pacifica shares increases capital, issuing 10,116 new shares.
MOET-HEINNESSY	Beverage	600 - 432.50	501	506 - 506	15	2.1	127.1c - 20.80c - 33.06	3,158	Consolidated turnover for first 9 months 79 = 1,576 MF (+22%).
PECHNEY-UG-KUHLMANN	Chem/min	114.50 - 69	95	96 - 96	9	5.3	6.00c - 14.00c - 10.20c	25,491	1st. 9 months 79 carnal. turnover up 20.2% at 24,204 MF (53% from abroad).
PSA PEUGEOT-CITROEN	Holding	461 - 251.20	270	282 - 282	2	5.9	133.77 - 134.45c - 112.88c	12,212	1st semest. 79 net profit: Peugeot car = 392 MF, Citroen cars = 169.5 MF.
RAFFINAGE (Cie. Fr.)	Petrol	229 - 70.20	176.10	178 - 178	—	4.0	— — — —	5,450	1st sem. 79 turnover (ex-tax) = 10,738 MF vs. 9,176 MF in 78 (+17%).
REDOUTE	Rail order	567 - 414	435	441 - 439	10	4.6	47.86c - 44.23c - 41.73c	928	3rd months (March 1-Aug. 31) carnal. turnover = 1,968 MF (+14.6%).
RHONE-POULENC	Chemicals	153.40 - 98	135	136.50 - 136.50	10	5.2	6.34 - 4.37c - 13.00c	18,941	East Europe should represent 13% of total exports for 1979.
ROBECO	Invest. Comp.	370 - 299.70	349.50	348 - 348	—	—	[not relevant]	25,300	Barents investments = Guilders 520 DM 26%, 112%, Yen 7%.
SKS ROSSIGNOL	Ski manuf.	1960 - 1110	1110	1110 - 1110	—	—	87.48 - 70.00c - —	310	1st semester 79 carnal. turnover for 1st half of business year 79-80 = 60.75 MF (+19.2%).
THOMSON-MICRO	Electrical Electronic	273 - 185.20	200	197.50 - 196	9	5.4	28.68 - 27.39 - 21.71c	6,062	Consolidated turnover (ex-tax) as of Sept. 30, 79 = 19,564 MF (+25.1%).

Fresh Eruptions Due for the '80s

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Is Isaiah Berlin the Philosopher of the 1980s?

by Yorick Blumenfeld

LONDON — Sir Isaiah Berlin is undoubtedly the most imaginative, gifted and learned historian of ideas of our time. To know him is to have experienced intellectual awe. And yet, although he has recently celebrated his 70th birthday and Harcourt Brace Jovanovich has issued the fourth and final volume of his "Selected Writings," he remains virtually unknown to the public at large.

New Year's Eve: 1979

Editor's Note: Thomas Mann once pointed out that it is "only we mortals" who ring bells and fire off pistols at the stroke of midnight, whether it's to welcome a new year or a new century. Time and Nature, Mann noticed, do not throw thunderbolts or blare trumpets to mark such passages. They are apparently too busy for the kind of human antics that will, depending on our personal state of affairs (health, sex, finance), occur next Monday at midnight.

One way to spend a safe New Year's is to leave the driving to a chauffeur, as he won't forget the goings-on, as will read below in "New Year's Eve — The View From the Front Seat." We'll tell you how to cope with the morning-after — with Waverley Root's hilarious hangover remedies (see page 9W). And if you really get into it, you can take a new year's resolution to learn to make up your own concoctions by taking cooking lessons (see article page 10W).

Otherwise, you're on your own to contend with the 1980s, which British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher has already lighted the "Dangerous Decade," though we're appealing to British philosopher Isaiah Berlin, in the exclusive profile above, to help us all think through the great questions of the '80s — before it's too late.

Naturally, it would be very gratifying if the future seemed a bit rosier before the year's curtain strokes on Feb. 9. But not everyone is overly optimistic about the 1980s will herald an age of utopia.

Novelist Henry Miller, who turned 88 Dec. 26, says that "the individual who adapts to this world of today is either a nobody or a sage. In the one case, he is immune to act; and in the other, he is beyond it."

Alvin Toffler, who wrote "Future Shock" a decade ago, says in his new book "The Third Wave" that "whatever we use, something revolutionary is happening. A new code book is taking form... there are new ground rules for survival."

But then, survival, if that's what's at stake, seems better than the alternative. Soothsaying aside, perhaps the best way to approach the "Dangerous Decade" is simply to paraphrase entertainer Jolson: "You ain't seen nothing yet, kids."

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also reflects his own personal wishes. Unlike contemporary self-promoters such as authors Norman Mailer or Norman Podhoretz, Sir Isaiah has tried assiduously to avoid the mass media. Partly this is because of his natural modesty. Over the past four decades, Sir Isaiah has chosen to enlighten select audiences principally through conversation. Winston Churchill, Franklin D. Roosevelt, John F. Kennedy, Chaim Weizmann and Felix Frankfurter are among those who have been privy to his astonishing insights.

During a brief encounter in London's Burlington Arcade recently, Sir Isaiah talked with a touch of nostalgia about his life. It appeared as if he were settling in for the years of retirement. This seemed all the greater pity because he was as lucid and intellectually ebullient as ever. True, he was thinner now than 25 years ago. His hair is grayer and there are more lines in his face, but the warm, compassionate, understanding look remains in his eyes.

I first met Sir Isaiah in 1954 at Harvard College, after my tutor told me that Berlin's course in Russian Intellectual History of the 19th Century was a *tour de force*. I went to the first class, which was standing-room-only. Talking very swiftly, but deliberately, Berlin (who did not receive his knighthood until 1957) asked those in the room who could not read French to please raise their hands and keep them raised. Then he asked those who could not read German to do the same. Most hands were up by then. Finally, he asked all those who couldn't read Russian to lift theirs. That took care of almost 90 percent. Now, he said, he would like all those who raised their hands to leave the room. To the three dozen students who remained he distributed a most awesome, quadrilingual, mimeographed reading list.

Isaiah Berlin had an unusual lecture style. He would sit down, look to one corner of the lecture hall, and then, in a high-pitched voice, he would begin to tumble out words at the rate of 200 per minute. There was no use in trying to take notes. I was challenged simply trying to understand the strong Oxonian English that covered up his native Russian/Latvian. Berlin would not look away, stop or refer to any notes during the duration of the lecture. He delivered a virtuoso performance every time.

Although the course was supposed to cover the 19th century in Czarist Russia, so much background was necessary that, having examined the French and German philosophers and political thinkers of the 18th and early 19th centuries, there was almost no time left for the Russians. To those of us who took the course, it hardly mattered. It was an overwhelming experience to follow "The Mind" at work. Berlin was a master at amplifying the sweeping generalization. His thoughts seemed to run on and on without a pause. For example, in a chapter on "The Age of Enlightenment," which he was working on at that time, he wrote:

"Indeed it might almost be said that the history of philosophy in its relation to the sciences, consists, in part, in the dismantling of those questions which are either empirical (and inductive) or formal (and deductive), from the mass of problems which fill the minds of men, and the sorting out of these under the heads of the empirical or formal sciences concerned with them."

It is in this way that, for instance, astronomy, mathematics, psychology, biology, etc., became divorced from the general corpus of philosophy of which they once formed a part," he continued. "The advance both of the sciences and of philosophy seems bound up with this progressive allocation of the empirical and formal elements." Leaving behind a nucleus of unresolved (and largely unanalyzed) questions, whose generality, obscurity and, above all, apparent (or real) insolubility by empirical or formal methods, gives them a status of their own which we tend to call philosophical."

I naturally derived enormous pleasure from encountering such a disciplined, retentive and encyclopedic mind. Yet there was a disturbing element in this relationship almost from the first.



He was a bachelor at that time, and I was most fortunate to live above him in Harvard's Lowell House. We became quite friendly, but the trouble was that I could never tell him anything new. I recall how once I tried to talk to him about the unusual sense of color of the Hopi Indians, something I myself had studied in New Mexico and Arizona. To my dismay, I quickly discovered that he had also been to New Mexico and had talked to the anthropologist Clyde Kluckhohn on the subject.

I recall coming down to his room once at about 11 a.m. (He had acquired a reputation for sleeping late.) After quickly opening the door, he jumped back under the covers. About seven books on a variety of subjects were piled on a small coffee table next to the bed. I picked one up at random. I believe it was President John Quincy Adams. I asked whether he had read it. Casually, he replied that he had gone through the lot — borrowed from Harvard's Widener Library — the night before. I was rather incredulous. I opened up the book on Adams and asked him some obscure question about the "Letters of Publicola." Whereupon Berlin, staring at the ceiling, started to quote from memory the text of the page I had opened.

I found this unsettling. Seven books in one

evening had been committed to his photographic memory. Perhaps it was true, as has sometimes been alleged, that he could absorb information by "subconscious osmosis." I was convinced that such a mind could, indeed was, obliged to strive for the very heights. And yet he seemed curiously detached from the controversies of the day. The philosophical problems to which he addressed himself seemed to have little or only tangential concern with practical utility.

I began to ask myself questions. What can we expect from our best minds? What guidance can we seek from them? Have we the right to demand a dispensation of their wisdom? As time passed, I became increasingly frustrated in seeking some resolution to my admittedly great expectations of Isaiah Berlin.

Perhaps it is necessary briefly to separate the facts from the legend. Born in Riga, Latvia, in 1909, Sir Isaiah Berlin came to Britain with his parents in 1920. He quickly assimilated and graduated with first class honors in Modern Classics (philosophy, politics and economics) at Corpus Christi College, Oxford in 1931. He lectured at Oxford throughout the '30s and most of his early writing was in the areas of pure philosophy and music.

Although Sir Isaiah was one of the leading participants in the philosophical discussions of the circle of positivists at Oxford to the 1930s, he could never accept their doctrinaire positions. He particularly reacted against historical determinism. He felt it denied the free will of the individual by asserting that each of our lives is shaped by theoretically predictable forces. He pointed out that no determinist ever acted or spoke in daily life as if he ever really believed in his own principles.

Determinism, he said, provides a release "from all those moral burdens which men in less enlightened days used to carry with so much labor and anguish." Although he never attempted to "refute" determinism, he programmatically rejected it in its own terms.

Berlin felt that determinism was not relevant to the study of history. His first book, "Two Concepts of Liberty" (1969) provided an extraordinary insight into the intellectual development of the great thinker. Berlin showed that there was very little of the "scientific" as Marx had tried to make the flow of life appear. The short work was widely hailed as a most remarkable and concise biography. What would come next, his colleagues wondered?

World War II summarily removed Berlin from the rarified and congenial circles of Oxford and brought him into contact with the "real" world. He was attached to the British mission in Washington right before Pearl Harbor and became Winston Churchill's private car in the nation's capital. Quickly he made his mark on official Washington. Justice Brandeis, listening to one of Berlin's informal talks, is reported to have said: "Mr. Berlin, I count myself quite fortunate. I've been with you 30 minutes and I've been able to understand almost a quarter of what you've said."

At the end of the war, following a brief tour in Moscow, Berlin returned to the high tables of Oxford. However, he decided to leave pure philosophy for the history of ideas, the philosophy of history, and the evolution of political theory.

"I asked myself whether I wished to devote the rest of my life to a study, however fascinating and important in itself, which, transforming as its achievements undoubtedly were, would not, say more than criticism, or poetry, add to the store of positive human knowledge," he said. "I gradually came to the conclusion that I should prefer a field in which one could hope to know more at the end of one's life than when one had begun."

As an historian of ideas, Berlin talked eloquently for years to all who would listen at Harvard College, Bryn Mawr College, the University of Chicago, City University of New York, Oxford and the London School of Economics (among other places).

He was witty and he was spontaneous. He charmed and inspired his audiences everywhere, at formal dinners as well as in the classroom. But these gems were scattered to the wind. Nor could he bring himself to write that major opus that everyone had hoped for or expected.

Quite the contrary, he seemed to fear the very idea. He wrote marvellous introductions to volumes on philosophy; he contributed frequently to obscure journals and composed essays in political quarters. Occasionally, there were transcriptions of lectures, such as the "Essays on Two Concepts of Liberty," which was his inaugural lecture as the Chichele Professor of Social and Political Theory at Oxford and which was later reprinted and expanded in 1969 as "Four Essays on Liberty."

There was no doubt in my mind that Sir Isaiah was, and remained, a man of genius. But was he an original genius? And was he living up to his incredible, nay, his unrivaled potential? I felt a nagging concern. Something was missing. As a teacher, lecturer, clarifier of ideas, or as a mentor to the famous, he was splendid.

But there was the other side to him which appeared reluctant to make a commitment, to transfer the major body of his ideas on to paper. He appeared to be the entertaining philosophic

commentator watching the agonizing and agonized ideological struggles of our time from gentlemanly sidelines. As Maurice Bowra once wrote: "Though like our Lord and Socrates he does not publish much, he thinks and says a great deal and has had an enormous influence on our times."

Did life become too comfortable for him in his early 50s? He married the wealthy Anne Elizabeth de Gunzburg in 1956 and thereafter enjoyed every luxury. There was the flat at London's exclusive residence, Albany, a vacation home in Portofino, Italy, and the best of wine and company at Oxford. He became the first president of Wolfson College at Oxford (1956-75) and the president of the British Academy (1974-1978). Socially it was an extremely rewarding existence. For a while, he became portly and mocked his own antipathy to any form of exercise. An intellectual par excellence, the only sport he engaged in was cerebral tennis.

I believe that somewhere along the line Berlin tried to pattern his life along the lines of Alexander Herzen, the brilliant and gifted 19th-century political activist whom he so admired. "Herzen, like Diderot," he wrote, "was an amateur of genius whose opinions and activities changed the direction of social thought in his country. Like Diderot, too, he was a brilliant and irrepressible talker. He talked equally well in Russian and to French to his intimate friends and in the Moscow salons — always in an even-tempered flow of ideas and images, the waste, from the point of view of posterity, is probably immense." The multi-lingual Sir Isaiah could almost have been writing about himself.

'Mr. Berlin,' Justice Brandeis once told Sir Isaiah, 'I count myself quite fortunate. I've been with you 30 minutes and I've been able to understand almost a quarter of what you've said.'

In another article about Marx and Diderot, Sir Isaiah wrote that the Victorian Prime Minister was "driven to invent a role for himself." Berlin in a sense did the same thing. He channeled his astonishing ability to assimilate history and philosophy into making a comprehensive framework for the study of the history of ideas. This comparatively new field made it possible for him to explore more broadly based insights into the heritage, birth and growth of those conceptual patterns that shape us as thinking beings.

The history of ideas is a rich but impenetrable field which has yet to gain academic respect. It has permitted Sir Isaiah to remain curiously detached. He dug here and there, in seemingly random fashion, uncovering post-beds in the tower of curious bits of our intellectual heritage. Pieced together, these could be parts of a large monument, that of the phenomenology of European consciousness over the last 250 years. I could not be sure.

Sir Isaiah continued to explore the origins and nature of the deeply embedded ideas and ideas which we hold. His most recent volume of selected writings, "Against the Current" (Hogarth Press, 1979) is characteristically concerned with the phenomenon of originality. Berlin looks at fairly obscure thinkers like the Italian philosopher Giovanni Battista Vico, Herzen, Georges Sorel or Moses Hess, whose minds enriched the history of ideas. For example, his comments at length about Hess, one of the 19th

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New Year's Eve — The View From the Front Seat

by Georges Bornes

PARIS — This is the season when we chauffeurs endure our longest night of the year — New Year's Eve. A night without sleep, no doubt, and though I'll make a good day's demands, we'll also have to face the most eccentric demands.

"In the embassy, my man, and quick!" "I'm sorry sir, that won't be possible."

"And why, may I ask?" "Well, as I have no idea where you come from, I can't at the moment say which embassy I have in mind."

"Ah, yes, I am Colombian. To the Colombian embassy!" "No man is a hero to his valet — or to the chauffeur of his limousine. Strange things go on in Rolls Royces and Cadillacs."

But then chauffeur is a strange profession, it meets extraordinary people. There are clients first, of course, but chauffeurs are interesting enough in their own right. Only a few weeks ago, the accomplice of the great French criminal Mersin was arrested — and he was a limousine chauffeur. The novelist Didier Martin, who has been nominated more than once for the prestigious French literary prize, Prix Goncourt, is also a member of my new profession.

It is just three weeks since I took up chauffeur-ing a limousine. So far, I haven't had to deal with disagreeable customers, but this time it looks as though my luck is out. "Small, podgy, with slicked down hair. Senior miquez is one of South America's biggest arms dealers. There's not a single military market

where this former colonel doesn't cream off his healthy commission. There he is, perched on the back seat of my Mercedes. I take a look at my street map, which Monsieur doesn't seem to appreciate too much. His little sausage fingers drum impatiently on the armrest. Here we are, 22 rue de l'Elysee. Luckily it isn't far at all, and I don't get lost.

I would have preferred a visit to Fontainebleau with the agreeable couple from Chicago I took out yesterday. Or a tour 'round the Impressionists in the Jeu de Paume with that ravishing Iranian girl, like last Sunday. Just my luck to land Col. Enriquez.

That makes two hours I've been waiting in the rue de l'Elysee. And the third time that a *gendarme* has told me to move on — parking is forbidden, of course. No sign of Col. Enriquez. Little did I know that I would be condemned to drive him around until 5 a.m.

The colonel knows how to enjoy himself in style. Dinner at Maxim's is followed by a long stint at the Raspoutine Russian cabaret, where gypsy violinists accompany my friend back onto the sidewalk with lingering Russian melodies. Until he brings out the bank notes. Large wads of 500-franc bills change hands. "Thank you, sir. Thank you very much indeed. Would you care for a little more 'Moscow Nights'?" And surprise of surprises, a 500-franc note is waved in my direction to help me fight off the sleep that has me slumped over my steering wheel. The first time around, the tip is always a shock. Reported to be optional, the normal tip is around 100 francs for a full day. Oil billionaires from the Gulf may multiply that by 20. And the heir to one of the longest-established jewelry

businesses on the Place Vendome once gave me 20 times less.

The annals of chauffeurs are packed with stories of legendary tips. There was the emir who stepped out of his private jet and found a chauffeur waiting for him with a Citroen DS, reserved for the use of presidents of the Republic and the like. The emir wasn't impressed.

An hour later, he left a Rolls Royce showroom with a Silver Shadow that they happened to have in stock. Three weeks of smooth rides later, the chauffeur asked the emir what he intended to do with the car. "Oh dear?" said the emir. "You can keep it."

Driving limousines is an excellent observation post for watching the extravagances of money and power. I once drove around the wife of a Latin American premier who was on a state visit to Paris. The lady in question was in France to amuse herself. And we made the regular rounds of the Lido, the Moulin-Rouge and the Casino de Paris — with the statutory dozen bodyguards and police escort to which visiting heads of state are entitled. Our official cortège screeched through all the red lights in Paris on the way to Madame's favorite restaurant or cinema.

Most of the limousine services have exclusive contracts with the big hotels, which guarantee them the daily use of a few cars and a comfortable percentage on the bills. When you line up in front of one of these palaces, you have to announce yourself to the chief bellboy, who makes reservations for chauffeur-driven cars for the guests. The limousine service charges its clients 1,800 francs for a day lasting from 9:30 a.m. to midnight, and covering 85 kilometers. The hotel's commission on that is 236 francs. The chauffeur sees 210 francs of it.

Another story: I pick up an American client at the airport, a famous actor and show-biz figure. My first impression is pleasant enough. A dazzling beauty accompanies him on his way out to dinner. Two hours later, I collect them, both radiant. We proceed to a club on the rue de Rivoli. I happen to glance into the rear mirror, and the scene on the back seat of the Cadillac must be something like what the butler saw. Luckily, we don't have far to go.

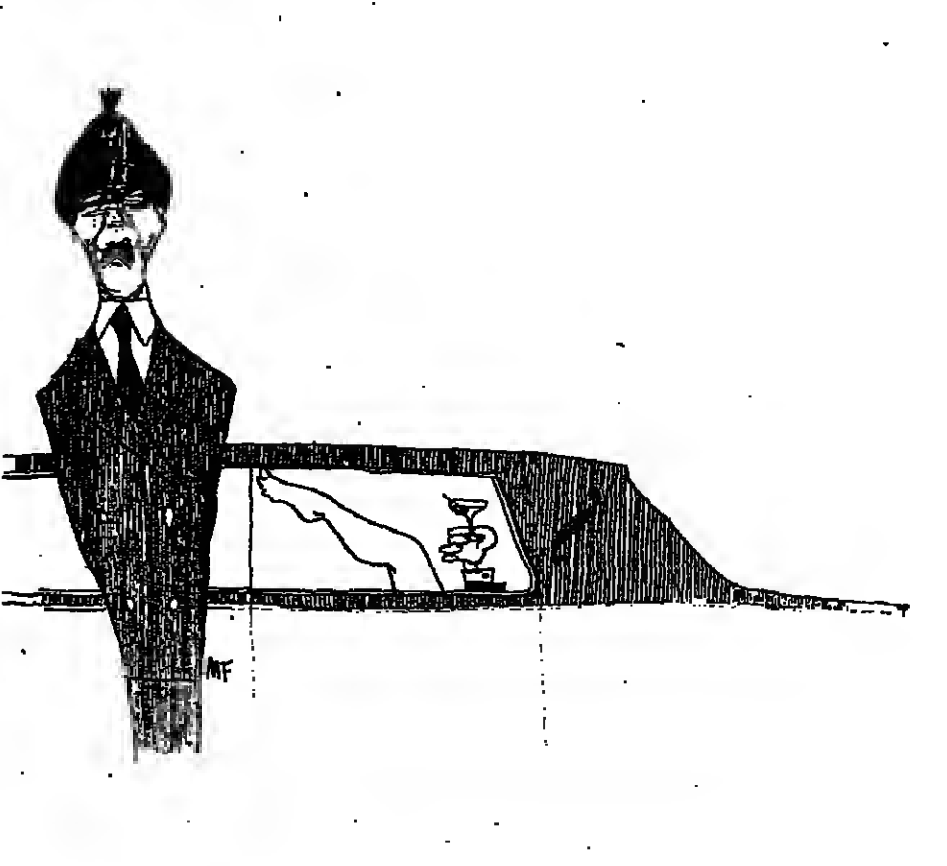
One hour later, my client re-emerges. But his friend is unfamiliar. This time, the destination is Regine's. Another casual glance at the rear mirror reveals the same scenario. Once again, the journey is mercifully short. Three quarters of an hour later, my reveler reappears, with yet another escort — male this time.

As we head toward Saint-Germain-des-Pres, a fight breaks out in the rear. The raised voices become a flurry of oaths, then a hail of blows. It's all I can do to hold the Cadillac Fleetwood on the road. Screams of pain: My client's adversary has a broken finger. We end up at the American Hospital in Neuilly.

At 6 a.m. I drag my client into the lobby of his hotel, trying to hold him up straight. Once we're inside, he wants to know where I'm off to. "I'm going home," I reply firmly.

"OK, let's go," he says. Seeing me step back, he kisses me on both cheeks, turns on his heels, and falls plumped into the elevator.

Outside, the day is breaking. The garbage disposal trucks are doing their rounds. It's a week since I finished work before 3 a.m. I have to sleep. There's a bitter taste in my mouth, and I don't know if I'm sleepy any more. But it's good training, I'm told, for New Year's Eve.



1979/12/28

Serge Gainsbourg — Who Says He's Ugly?

by Joan Dupont

PARIS — Everything about him is calculated to provoke, from his slurred syllables to his bohemian style. Serge Gainsbourg — of the bloodshot, heavy-lidded eyes and saucer ears — was called a dirty man when he was 30; at 51, he is making a comeback, riding the crest of New Wave music. After 18 years away from the stage, he is at the Palace disco with Peter Tosh's reggae music and Bob Marley's singers, the "I Threes."

It's a manner of being cool about hot subjects, such as in the sex spoof duet with British actress Jane Birkin, "Je t'aime, moi non plus," "I Love You, Neither Do I"; or in his parody of the lyrics — "shebang, pow, blip, whiz" — as in "Comic Strip." He has a penchant for English titles with a twist: "Rock Around the Clock," "Lady Heroine," "Sex, Sex and Sun." English is cool, he says, "less guttural than French."

As far as the music is concerned, he has tried a little bit of everything. "My subjects haven't changed that much, I still have the same sessions, but I play with all rhythms and styles, just like Paul Klee or Picasso."

Claiming to ignore ambition — "I don't have the energy for it" — he compares his technique to that of the Japanese artist who contemplates flowers for months, then paints it in a matter of minutes. "I've had technique for 20 years, that's why I can work so fast; it took me one sleepless night in Kingston to create 'Aux Armes Et Cetera.'"

The album's title song, a reggae parody of the Marseillaise, sold more than 100,000 records and aroused French chauvinist ire. Accustomed to being loathed, Gainsbourg took the affair usually — at first, "I was inspired by Sid Vicious and 'The Sex Pistols.' God Save the Queen, Her Fascist Regime," but I did think that was rather hard. I settled for the reggae beat, because reggae is revolutionary. The only insolence is the use of *cetera*."

Defenders of the flag felt differently. A couple of months ago, when Gainsbourg was due to perform in Marseilles, 450 paratroopers were out mowing him, making him think twice about singing. He became the butt of racist slurs from a rightist press. "As far as anti-Semitism is concerned," wrote Gaullist Michel Droit in *Le Parisien* magazine, "everybody knows that there are those who propagate it, and others, alas, to provoke it." Battering Gainsbourg for his usage to the national anthem, Droit ignored over descriptions of his "drooping lips" and "greed to make a profit," his "Judaism."

"It's amazing, the public support I got after an attack," says Gainsbourg. "Still, the anti-Semitism wounds me very much. As a boy dur-



ing the occupation I suffered from the yellow star that I had to wear. And I always knew it was the French, not the Germans who pinned it on."

Gainsbourg traces his aggression — "my motor" — back to feeling ugly, and his taste for revolt to the classical "conflicts with my father, the man who taught me everything." His Russian-born father played jazz in cabarets, and Bach, Schumann and Chopin at home. "From the age of three months, I had great music drummed into my ears, but he wanted me to be an artist, so I went to art school at 13. Then, since art can't feed a man, he had me study architecture. When he taught me piano, I cried during every lesson. Well, so much for the flash-

back." He laughs, uncovering tobacco-stained teeth.

Close up, the legend of his ugliness fades. True, the eyes are haggard, but they have a gentle look and his low voice is warm. Only his laugh is somewhat sinister, the chortle of a man who has seen a lot of Peter Lorre films, a restless "heh-heh."

"During the tail end of the existentialist Saint-Germain-des-Près era I wrote angry songs," he explains. "In the days before the Rolling Stones, singers were supposed to be handsome, and when my father asked why I wrote such songs, I said it was because you couldn't expect me to sing love songs with my looks — heh-heh — but I was wrong. Jacques

Brel told me I would become a star the day I understood that I was a crooner; and that's the way it went. I'd still prefer to look like Montgomery Clift, though."

His break came in the '60s, when, as he says, "distortion became fashionable due to the impact of the English — the Stones and the paintings of Francis Bacon." Suddenly, all the nymphette types — Brigitte Bardot, Françoise Hardy, France Gall and Jane Birkin — wanted him to write songs for them; some wanted him for more than his songs, and so his beauty-and-the-beast reputation was made.

"I don't go to people, they come to me — that's my charm," says the singer whose bodice manner was inspired by Sartre's "La Nausée."

With his dadaistic flair for scandal and postwar pessimism, Gainsbourg stood apart from perspiring rock stars like Johnny Halliday and Claude François. "I was punk before the age," he says. "That's why I appeal to young audiences today. I have an incestuous relationship with youth."

Gainsbourg lives with three young women in a small two-story Left Bank house: Jane Birkin, her daughter Kate (from Birkin's first marriage), and Charlotte, the couple's daughter. His library shelves are laden with the works of Baudelaire, Genet, Henry Miller, Cocteau and the Marquis de Sade.

He decorated the house himself; walls as well as ceilings are painted black. The den is filled

with bronze sculptures and blowups of female rumps, gifts from Jane Birkin. An unusual setting, perhaps, for raising children, but Gainsbourg, assuming his best Dr. Jekyll manner, proclaims that black is a quality, not a color. "When people ask why I live within black walls, I answer that the walls of mental hospitals are painted white, heh-heh."

Down the hall from his lair is Jane Birkin's room, every inch the oursery: a narrow bed with its patchwork silk quilt and a menagerie of stuffed and much-mended animals. These are her fetishes and traveling companions; a monkey and button-nose piglet seem to be particular favorites.

At 32, Jane Birkin looks as virginal as when she played in Michelangelo Antonioni's film "Blow-Up." 13 years ago, she speaks the same breathless Anglo-Saxon French as in "Je t'aime, moi non plus." "When you think of the fuss made over that song just 10 years ago," she exclaims. "It was banned by the radio, by the Vatican, and now Kate and Charlotte find it very funny." The heavy-breathing, erotic number made all the hit parades, was No. 1 in England, and even has a Japanese version, sung by a homosexual couple. "Yet it's almost impossible to translate," she says.

"For instance, 'Je vais et je viens entre les reins' becomes 'I go and I come between your kidneys,'" she sighs. "Impossible."

While the couple is certainly eccentric, they are disarmingly pleasant company. Taking tea in their home is a little like a visit with Charles Addams' ghostly cartoon creatures; one feels, why they're not really so weird.

Gainsbourg's health has not been good. He suffered a heart attack at 45, but he has kept up a steady diet of barbiturates, Gitanes cigarettes and drink. He continues to stay up all night, hardly sleeps and, of course, rarely shaves. "I'm not really depressive," he says. "I just have my ups and downs."

He goes around looking bored, half asleep, and he doesn't like to be caught working, but the fact is that he just finished a book on art, to be published next year by Gallimard, and has a heavy film schedule coming up.

As an actor, he goes on location in a couple of months with Gerard Depardieu and Catherine Deneuve in Claude Berri's "Les Hommes de ma Vie." And next summer he starts shooting his own film, "Blackout," a long-cherished project that will be entirely lit by car headlights. Jane Birkin and Isabelle Adjani are booked, and he has approached Robert Mitchum and Dirk Bogarde for the male leads, but no deals have been concluded.

"I like cinema," he says, "because it groups all the disciplines: painting, architecture, color, noise, framing, writing, and rhythm. For 18 years I got along with TV and radio, but I don't know what comes next. I can't do the flash-forward."

For a man of notoriously low energy, he has moved along, and he's even looking good these days.

Serge Gainsbourg is at Le Palace, 8 rue du Faubourg Montmartre, through Dec. 30. He will be at L'Yves' Palais Royal on Jan. 2 and 3 and in Brussels' Cirque Royal on Jan. 5.

A German Who Understands Germans All Too Well

by John Vinocur

BAD PYRMONT, West Germany — Taking the waters in this well-ordered little retreat, where enforced gaiety hangs everywhere like a lace curtain, is a retired admiral, the 80-year-old widow of a major Nazi general and the former personal secretary of Konrad Adenauer. And, here along with them, is an ex-con named Kurt Kohls.

The old people live in retirement institutions; those brochures are full of pictures of fountains and ancient oaks and words like confidence, elegance and exclusivity. Kohls is a "management assistant" at one of the establishments, and he has his guests with the deference they might expect as people who have spent some of their years in the margins of history.

The group at the Senior Residence is not aware of it, but when it comes to figuring out what West Germany of the 1970s was about, how its own strength created its own confusing society, Kohls surely has his place.

From 1972 to 1974, he ran a group of companies that managed bordellos. With a prospectus as described investing in sex as putting money into the world's safest business, he attracted 330 private investors who turned over about \$8 million to him. The business was seen in 1974 and Kohls fled to Spain, Andorra, Italy and eventually to a freighter bound for Guayaquil, Ecuador. He was arrested on the deck.

His nine-month-long trial resulted in a six-year sentence for fraud, falsification and, in a case, his remarkable understanding of his fellow Germans. After two years in jail, he was released on parole at the age of 53 and came to his quiet spa to demonstrate his new belief in honesty, thrift and hard work.

If Kohls's case were just an aberration, a unique one-shot in the world of German business gravity and success, it would have no great resonance.

But West German newspapers have special investment sections full of advertisements for exotic money-making ventures that involve grain plantations in Tonga or natural-gas prospecting in Canada — and West German prosecutors' offices are full of arrest warrants or promoters who have taken the money and run.

For instance, Heiner Braasch is described as having defrauded individual investors of about 70 million with promises to build new ships. Heinz Kellermann is accused of a \$3 million swindle by selling shares in Lillolandia, a building project on Grand Canary Island. And Friedrich Brante is said to have taken nearly \$4 million from investors whom he was going to make rich by building new hotels.

The investors are not dirt farmers mailing two dollars in an envelope to a radio preacher promising new wealth. They are precisely the people whose industriousness as owners of small factories and businesses has helped create the idea that the Germans, above all, are earnest, deliberate and reliable.

"Oh, man," Kohls says with a small sigh in the middle of a long afternoon of talk. "The Germans, very special people, yes, and in a certain way a dissatisfied people."

There is this great stopped-up need for adventure, for being special. Years ago, there were uniforms and decorations and the Kaiser, and a course. Kohls's voice trails away because



Kurt Kohls, who offers his German clients a step out of the humdrum.

it is very bad form to suggest, outside your own family, that Germans found some psychic need fulfilled by Hitler.

"So," he says, starting again and grinning, "now everyone feels he is a gray little mouse. But still he wants to show how different he is from the other people, how much smarter. He wants to fly to Paraguay and tell people he went to look at his plantation. And he wanted to make a little money by investing in sex. I understood the psychology and, I admit, I played on those chords. Would you believe that this understanding of our psychology was later held against me by the prosecutor? He told me, 'You preyed on the psychological fallibilities of these people, Herr Kohls.'"

Kohls, a metalworker's son, got an early grip on the local psychology, as an amateur boxer, sportswriter, used-car salesman, then real estate agent.

Living in Ulm, the bourgeois cathedral town where Albert Einstein was born, Kohls became involved in the purchase of a property that was actually a hotel de passe. Rent collection was behind, so he took over the management himself.

Because prostitution is legal in West Germany, but living off its proceeds is not, Kohls merely rented space to individual prostitutes and provided them with building services and security. Then Kohls added other buildings in Constance and Kaiserslautern, until he began to feel he was something of an expert in the field. The ideal house, he says, has 25 to 30 rooms, "double that and the atmosphere suffers."

Kohls felt he understood the business so well that he could expand if he got new capital. He set up two companies, and placed newspaper ads that looked very much like the ones that continue to appear every weekend. "Build your financial future on a golden terrain that has not known crisis in a thousand years," they said.

For a little historical respectability, Kohls's heart-shaped prospectus told of how, a century ago, the women of pleasure of Magdeburg took up a public subscription to build themselves a new house and paid back their investors eight times over in one year. Kohls's tenants were nev-

er called prostitutes; the euphemism was "erobrotestessen."

What Kohls offered were limited partnerships in his firms. Each came under the classification of a *Kommunikationsgesellschaft* or K.G., a form of corporate organization that is not required by West German law to publish a financial statement. The cost for a partnership unit was 50,000 Deutsche marks, worth from \$15,500 to \$21,000 at the exchange rates prevailing from 1972 to 1974.

On a 50,000-mark investment, Kohls considered half as a mortgage loan with a guaranteed return of 12 percent every six months; the other half, a straight investment with a promised annual yield of 16 to 20 percent.

"The money was there, right away," Kohls says. A Swiss company managing individual investment portfolios gave him 12 million marks, he says, "not even asking for a receipt." A West German manufacturer who had sold his business for International Telephone and Telegraph Corp. on shares worth \$128 million jumped aboard.

"But mostly," Kohls says, "there was just a certain type of German who needed to escape from his colorless life. I'd get these calls from people who would talk to me about 'our firm.' And people would show up at the houses and say, 'I'm a shareholder and I'm just looking around.' People were just dying to be part of something, something a little special."

Although Kohls offered his clients a step out of the humdrum, he forgot, according to the Baden-Wuerttemberg state prosecutor, to mention in his prospectus that there was a risk involved. Again and again, witnesses at Kohls's trial were asked if they had been told they were not fool-proof. Again and again the answer was no.

Genos, and the accounts of all the vague little companies were next to empty.

What had happened, Kohls says, was beyond his control. First, he believes that acceptance of birth control pills in West Germany cut down on his clientele. Then there was a slump in the construction business that required some private loans made by contractors be repaid more quickly than planned.

"I'm not a criminal type," Kohls says. "I nev-

er planned to defraud anybody." But the prosecutor called Kohls a pimp hiding behind an investment prospectus, a dupe of honest Germans. "He had no sense of humor," Kohls says.

Now Kohls works at the Senior Residence, making patiently with its residents and explaining to callers how they can buy its condominium units.

Until his parole ends in four years, he really does not think it is a good idea to talk about his

plans. These days he likes to sit in Bad Pyrmont's cafes and look at the Germans. He watches the coat clothes, listens to the occasional voices and surveys their long, silent stares. When a visitor returns to the question about what he plans to do next, Kohls does not turn his head to reply.

"Look at them," he says. "Just look at them all."

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Munich Celebrates 200 Years of British Art

by John Dornberg

MUNICH — French art connoisseurs of the 18th century were said to be highly skeptical about English art. They practically denied its existence, saying that the English dampness and fog must have stifled aesthetic feeling and sensitivity.

Granted, it was an era when the Channel was more a moat dividing two armed camps and relations between Paris and London were at their worst.

But just how wrong the French critics were in their assessment is currently being demonstrated in Munich's Haus der Kunst, host and cosponsor, with The British Council, of the vast representative exhibition "Two Centuries of British Painting — 1680-1880."

The show, which continues until Jan. 27, is under the patronage of Queen Elizabeth II and West German President Karl Carstens. Intended as a historic sampler, it includes more than 380 canvases, lithographs, etchings and engravings on loan from leading private collectors and museums in the United Kingdom, the United States and Europe. Private lenders include Queen Elizabeth II, the dukes of Norfolk, Northumberland and Hamilton, London's Society of Dilettanti and Lord Brownlow.

Among the more than 75 contributing museums are the Tate Gallery, London's National Gallery, the Louvre, New York's Metropolitan Museum of Art, the Cleveland Museum of Art, the Harvard College Library, Yale's Center for British Art, the Kunsthau of Zurich and Vienna's Kunsthistorisches Museum.

To be sure, there have been other exhibitions of British art on the Continent during the past decade, but most have been devoted to individual painters or genres. With the exception of the 1975 Pittura Inglese show in Milan's Palazzo Reale, there has been nothing as ambitious or comprehensive anywhere.

Naturally, the great English masters — Thomas Gainsborough, William Hogarth and

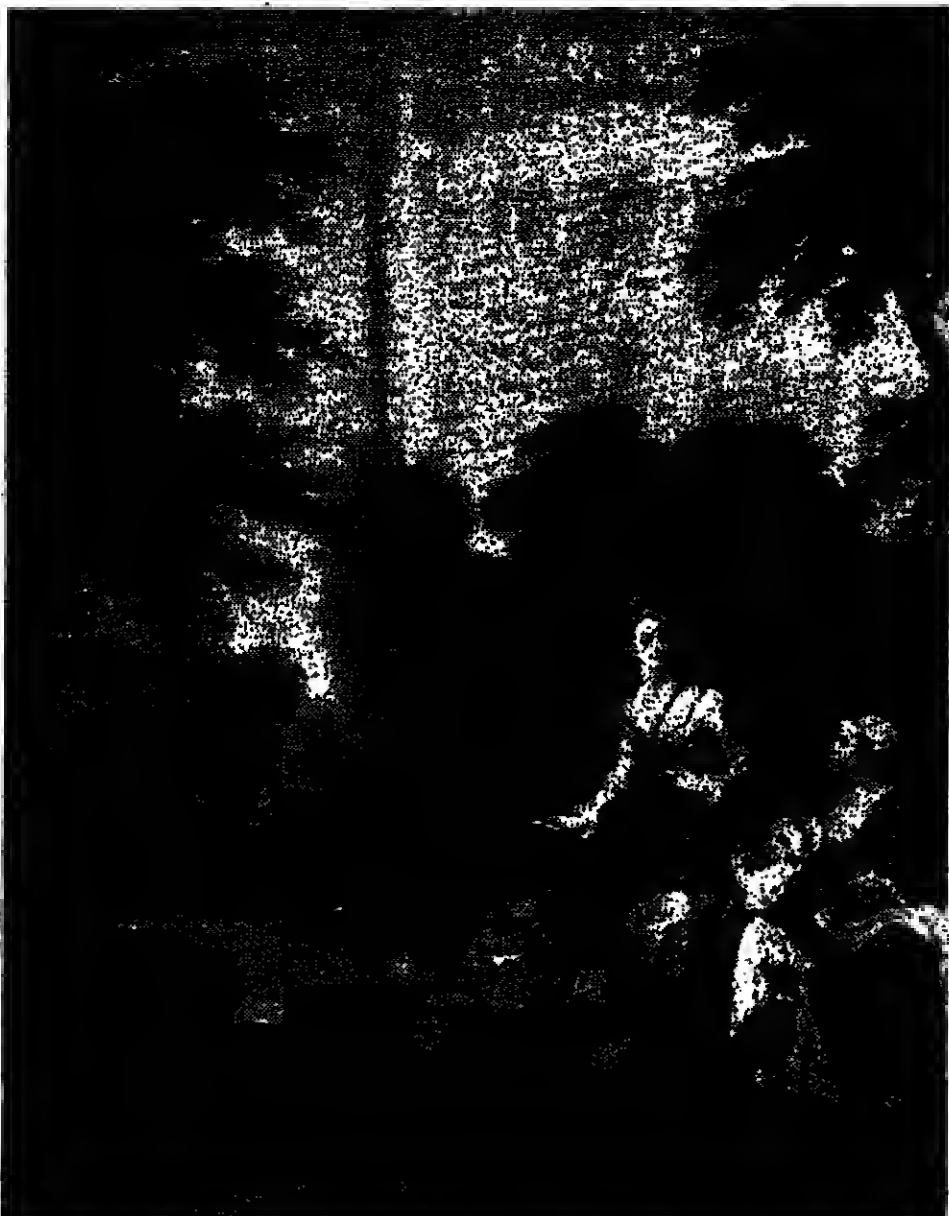
J.M.W. Turner — are well represented. There are no fewer than 36 Turner canvases, among them his finest landscapes from tours of the Continent and such series as the "River Scenery of Europe" and the "Rivers of France," all of which demonstrate his highly original, almost visionary perception of color and light.

But even more significant, in a sense, is the introduction to 124 other British painters of the late 17th, the 18th and 19th centuries whose work is less well known to Europeans and, let's face it, Americans. Among them are William Blake, as imaginative an illustrator as he was a writer and poet; John Constable, John Sell Cotman, Alexander Cozens and his son John; Johann Heinrich Füssli (who changed his name to Henry Fuseli when he left his native Zurich for London in 1763); William Hunt; Joshua Reynolds and Samuel Palmer.

The inclusion of James Whistler in the exhibi-



"Mariana" by John Everett Millais.



"The Fishing Party" by William Hogarth (1697-1764), now in Munich.

tion — with six etchings and two canvases, among them "Nocturne in Black and Gold" — may come as a surprise to American visitors who regard the artist, born in Lowell, Mass., as one of their own. The British claim is based on the fact that he settled in London in 1859, at the age of 25, and lived there for the rest of his life, until 1903.

The arrangement of the show in sections that are neither chronological nor stylistic is instructively unorthodox.

One, for example, is devoted to the "Grand Tour" of Italy that seems to have been almost obligatory for 18th-century British painters. Another focuses on the devotion to mythological, Biblical and figurative themes among English painters visiting Rome. A third is "British Artists Traveling in Europe in the 19th Century."

The section of special interest and appeal to Munich is devoted to art dealing with the English-style garden as a landscaping departure from the geometric, artificially conceived parks

of the palaces, castles and mansions so popular in continental Europe.

The Haus der Kunst on Prinzregentenstrasse faces Munich's own Englischer Garten, twice as large as New York's Central Park. It was laid out and designed in 1789 by one Benjamin Thompson, a Tory expatriate from Woburn, Mass., who left America for England in 1776, then put himself in the service of the Duke of Bavaria as Munich's first chief of police, was knighted here and given a peerage with the name of Count Rumford, choosing the name from Rumford, N. H., where his wife had been born.

For those with a good command of German, I recommend the exhibition catalog with its excellent plates, authoritative essays and explanations by leading British art historians and background details on the artists. The cost is 25 Deutsche marks (about \$14). The admission fee is 5 DM (\$2.90). The exhibition is open daily, except Mondays, from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

FOOD

Learning to Cook in France Takes More than Just Brains

by Nancy Beth Jackson

PARIS — Barbara Gekas, a doctor's wife from Maryville, Tenn., paid \$1,500 for a two-week packaged tour here that gave her the opportunity to scale fish, skin rabbits and peel potatoes. All because she wanted to cook like a French housewife.

Foreigners, particularly Americans, flock to Paris to study at the stainless steel font of haute cuisine. Some, like a middle-aged, English-speaking Canadian find the kitchen culture shock hard to stomach. That woman recently stalked out midway through her six-week course because she thought the chef didn't wash his hands often enough.

But for most people, says Anne Willan, founder of La Varenne cooking school, the object of a short course (one to six weeks) is to discover that French cooking is not something strange and different but "something fun they can go home and try."

French cooking, however, is strange and different for Americans who have grown up in the frozen food section, who never saw a jewel-like radish or whole rabbit before wandering through French markets and who grow slightly nauseous at the mention of brains in brown sauce.

The French do take a different attitude toward cooking, Mrs. Willan admits. "It has more structure; it is more intellectual. Only the French have sorted out sauces into categories."

Foreigners may enroll to become sauciers, but they soon discover alarming aspects in the cuisine, such as leanings towards sweetbreads and animal organs of disturbing shapes and consistencies. And that mastering French cooking means far more than catching Julia Child's act on educational television.

It means receiving a fish, fowl or animal in the live or recently dead state and performing what might be considered an autopsy to ready it for the table, all to guarantee freshness.

For North Americans who generally see chickens as breasts and thighs in plastic trays, a total immersion in French culinary practices is a jolt. The five women in Mrs. Gekas's group encountered one surprise after another.

"Back home, all of the ingredients are ready to cook. You get the gibbards in a sack in the carcass," said Mary-Ann Markus, a Canadian and the only professional cook on the tour.

Sitting together in their hotel bar after an evening class, the women needed only the slightest prodding to recount their kitchen shocks. Some good — like the skillful presentation of fure — others disturbing — like the blood and guts on the counter top.

"Today we did a wild hare that had just been caught. We skinned the creature. Oh, the blood was everywhere," piped up Marion Huessey, a retired teacher from Kennesawport, Me., who generally explores foreign cuisines aboard cruise ships. "It was very gross, but it was done so skillfully, so beautifully."

Barbara Gekas winced at the tale: "I'm glad I

missed it. The thought is enough of a shock for me. I offered the chef a few francs the other day to clean the fish for me. I started at two and got up to 10, but he said it wasn't enough. And then there was the duck. For someone with a weak stomach like me."

The women mutinied when it came to cleaning the duck and passed the task on to the post-graduate cooking student-interpreter — who holds a Ph.D. in French literature.

Their misadventures in the kitchen might bring them shared chortles in the last days of their stay, but more serious complaints had surfaced at first. Bone weary from jet lag, they started classes the day after they arrived. They were thrown immediately into an intensive course of daily demonstrations and practical classes, the latter at night. "We were exhausted," Mary-Ann Markus says. "Our first impressions were not very fair."

And then they had to sort themselves out, not only as a tour group but as five strangers who had answered small travel ads or written to Julia Child for recommendations and found themselves bumping around in a kitchen smaller than many American women have at home. A kitchen, they all agreed even after cementing a working relationship, is a most private place.

The metric system was another hurdle. Mrs. Gekas sidestepped it. "It was chaotic, so I'm cheating — and it makes a difference."

When they set out on the cooking adventure, none had felt like a neophyte in the kitchen. "Thirty years in the kitchen prepares you to cook, right?" Virginia Laport from Buffalo, N.Y., said. But by the end of the two weeks, they weren't so sure and were longing to stay another week or more.

With the time and money, students can stay longer. Cordon Bleu, the grand old lady of Parisian cooking schools, prefers enrollments of at least 12 weeks and allows shorter periods only in the summer or by special arrangement. It hosts no tours. La Varenne also has extended courses, and the fees vary accordingly. Whatever the course length, instruction at such Parisian schools doesn't come cheap. Tuition ranges from \$125 to \$500 a week, depending on the program. One woman from Atlanta figures her three Cordon Bleu terms cost her \$5,000.

But instead of carping about expenses or sauces or sanitation, the five-woman tour group waxed on and on about French markets, French restaurants, French chefs, French cooking. Little French words like "en" were slipping into their conversation, and the way they talked about "the man from Maxim's," you would have thought the pastry chef was their next-door neighbor.

All thoughts of the visiting the Eiffel Tower or touring Louvre escaped from their heads as they raced off into a world of croissants, clarified butter and crushed lobster claws. Was it worth the money, the jetlag, and the culture shock? Not a "non" among them.

"There are good cooking schools in the states," said June Replogle of Buffalo. "But this Paris thing is like going to the home office."

An Answer to Sunday Afternoons

by Anatole Broyard

NEW YORK — "Most people marry for unconscious reasons," said a friend of mine who is a psychotherapist, "and that's one of the difficulties. Not knowing why they did it in the first place, they're always wondering whether they should stay married."

I don't have this difficulty. I know exactly why I married. It was because of an ironing board.

I can see it now, after 17 years. It had X-shaped aluminum legs and a muslin-covered pad that was patterned with burn marks. It stood in the middle of my apartment like an announcement, an uncanny visitor.

I had gone to Europe for the summer and the girl I was seeing at the time had asked me if she could live in my apartment while I was away. She shared a small, airless place with another girl.

My apartment was purposefully bare, a machine for living, as Le Corbusier said, or for not living. It was so stripped down that you could feel the absence of things, like a repressed question. But when I came back from Europe in September, I opened the door to find, in the dead center of the room, an ironing board.

The girl was not there. The apartment was a single large room with a skylight and the late afternoon sun filtered down with a painter's clarity. I dropped my luggage and sat on the bed. My head was filled with Old Masters and cathedrals and they all fell away before the reality of that ironing board.

Bookcases, bamboo blinds, captains' chairs, a table made of a door, a box spring and a mattress: That was my apartment, a geometry of austerity. An empty canvas, now suddenly disfigured by this grotesque object, this periscope, this skinny, ugly, suffering shape that spoke to me of home and family and mother and brought tears to my eyes.

How frivolous, how arty Europe was next to the ironing board of my past and future, of my Americanism. What if I were to put my life on this board and iron it out? Would it have that clean smell of things dried in the sun and pressed by hand?

I was tired of climbing stairs behind girls. There was too much time for second thoughts behind their backs. I remember an evening of drinking in a Greenwich Village bar with a group of people. The girl I was with — not the girl who owned the ironing board — said, "I'm too tired," and I picked her up and ran away from the others with her in my arms.

That's bachelor life, running with a girl in your arms, hurrying nowhere, a heavy freedom, a tension between hello and goodbye. Someone said that French writers fall exhausted into the arms of the church, and I think that marriage was my church, or at least a substitute for the one I had lost.

I needed something to turn to on Sundays. If I had no God, I would settle for a fallen angel. Sunday afternoon, especially, was serious. It was a time when one felt "the dark encroachment of that old catastrophe," as a poet put it. By Sunday afternoon, I was all played out. I turned around and looked back over the week

with moralizing eyes. Those quiet, empty hours were filled with a sense of anticlimax.

It seemed to me that bachelor life was an arpeggio of anticlimaxes and I thought I would get married and have instead one grand sonorous anticlimax, like a chord struck on an organ, an anticlimax profound enough to stand as a philosophical statement. I would settle down to a rhythm, like waves lapping gently on a shore, or a church bell tolling in the night. I would have breakfast with the same person every morning. Yes, marriage was the answer to Sunday afternoons, for the lull after lunch that breaks the back of the day, that time between waking and sleeping when you come to a dead stop and ask yourself why you should ever start again. If you have a wife, you can comfort yourself with symmetry, or play a dialectic. At the very least, you're ashamed to lie down and cry in her presence.

How do you go about getting married? I was never good at mechanical things. I had developed a trained incapacity, as Veblen called it, for simple procedures. I knew, of course, that I had to get a license and a blood test to determine whether I was sanguine enough to live legally with another person, but I had no idea who I wanted to perform the ceremony.

I did not want a judge or a justice of the peace. While I was not actively religious, it seemed to me that marriage was a religious act, a crucifixion and a resurrection rolled into one. I consulted with the bride and we decided on a minister.

A friend who was an assistant professor in a university suggested a minister who taught theology and drama there. He also wrote drama



criticism for a religious journal. These seemed to me to be appropriate qualifications.

When I met him, though, he seemed too young to marry me. He was quite sophisticated for a minister, smoking a cigarette and lounging back in his chair. After asking some rather intellectual questions about the nature of our beliefs, he wanted to know whether we wished to amend

the marriage service, to add any modifications or emendations of our own designing.

I thought of barefoot marriages and topless marriages and marriages on television. I thought of expressions such as, "We propose to respect one another's space or privacy or integrity," and said no. We would take the service as it was. Would we prefer to have him officiate in a

dark suit such as the one he was wearing or in his vestments? We chose the vestments.

The ceremony took place in a duplex apartment that belonged to the parents of a friend. When the minister arrived, I led him upstairs to a bedroom where he put on his vestments. After he was invested, he jogged down the stairs so athletically that a shower of dandruff shook down onto his shoulders.

I was upset by this, and I wondered what to do about it. While the minister was very casual, I did not feel free to dust off his shoulders. I considered stepping him on the back as a means of dislodging the dandruff and discarded the idea as impractical. In the end, I was married by a minister with dandruff on his vestments.

It flattered the ceremony for me. It symbolized, I thought, the general flakiness, the sociological fallout, of the age. I was being married by a dramatic artist with dandruff on his shoulders and what I really wanted was Louise Andrews, who had Chantres Cathedral, music by Bach, poetry by Donne and Herbert and Crashaw, philosophy by Aquinas and a painting of the ceremony by the Master of Avignon.

I did not see the situation with an ironic eye. For the moment, I had put irony behind me. I was filled instead with moral indignation, one of the luxuries of the married man.

In spite of everything, the marriage held up. While we have worn out several ironing boards, we still have pretty good Sunday afternoons. Sometimes, when the children are out playing and the light comes in the window in a certain way, I look at my wife and wonder why she married. One of these days I'll have to ask her.

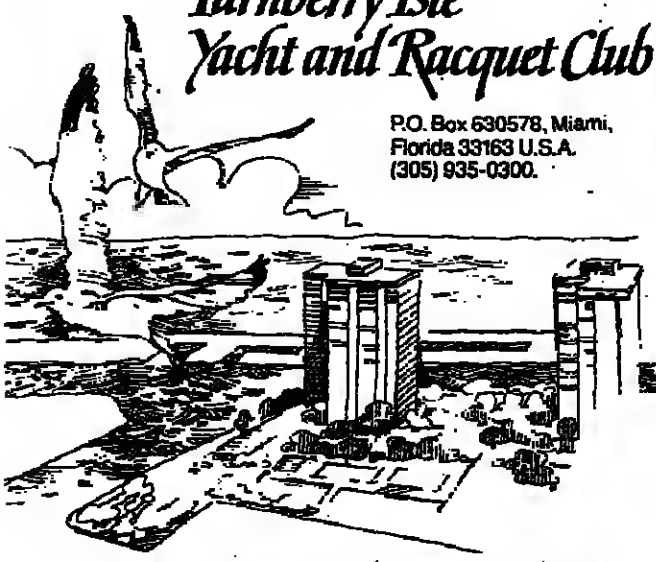
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Isaiah Berlin

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century originators of Zionism, who has Berlin's obvious sympathies:

"Moses Hess was not, like Hegel or Marx, a historical thinker of genius who broke with previous tradition, perceived relationships hitherto unnoticed (or at least not clearly described) imposed his vision on mankind, and transformed the categories in terms of which human beings think of their situation, their past and their destiny. But neither did he suffer from the defects of these despotic system-builders. He was intellectually (as indeed in every other respect) a man of complete integrity and did not, for any psychological or tactical reason, try to force the facts into some preconceived dogmatic pattern."

The message here is clear. Berlin has waged a long battle against those dogmatists or moralists, like Marx, who have perceived life in terms of a single purposeful struggle. In one of his most famous works of literary criticism (or philosophical inquiry), "The Hedgehog and the Fox" (1954), Berlin cast his vote for the broadly based, pluralistic historicism of Leo Tolstoy.

"Personally, I like works of literature which are about the whole of experience, not just one corner of it," he said recently. Berlin has always identified with such pluralists, or foxes, as Aristotle, Herzer, Goethe, Joyce, Tolstoy, Diderot. He has been a little frightened of Plato, Dante, Rousseau, Marx, Dostoevsky and Wagner. Hedgehogs, he believes, hurt people. Dostoevsky he views as "a terrible kind of liberator-oppressor."

Berlin, in accord with the gentlemanly way he has led his own life, has persisted in the theme that there is no single, absolute answer to the question of how men should live or organize

themselves. Pluralism is of the essence. Frequently human beings seek different goals that are incompatible.

Those who purport to know the certain way inevitably are tyrants. They are the "terrible simplifiers," the "ruthless fanatics" and "great despotic organizers" who often insist that their way is backed by the irresistible forces of history. However, there is something hedgehog-like about Berlin's own perseverance in maintaining that the one thing he knows is that there is no one big thing.

Some supporters have seen Berlin's philosophical work as a long battle against the facile application of inadequate concepts or models in the field of human studies. Admittedly this may be viewed as an entirely rational and worthy cause. And yet, as I have indicated earlier, I have found this wanting. Instead of showing us the way, he has simply raised warning flags.

Clearly I had been hoping for something more substantial. As Sir Isaiah himself wrote in his splendid introduction to "Four Essays on Liberty" (1969): "I am well aware of how much more needs to be done, especially on the issue of free will, the solution of which seems to me to require a set of new conceptual tools, a break with traditional terminology, which no one, so far as I know, has yet been able to provide."

His own awareness of the problem had led me to expect such a philosophical breakthrough from Sir Isaiah. Certainly if he did not have the capacity, who did? I had hoped there would be more of the prophet and ultimately less of the bon vivant in him.

John Stuart Mill, Berlin noted, "had scarcely any prophetic gift. Unlike his contemporaries,

Marx or de Tocqueville, he had no vision of what the 20th century would bring, neither of the political and social consequences of industrialization, nor of the discovery of the strength of irrational and unconscious factors in human behaviour, nor of the terrifying techniques to which this knowledge has led and is leading."

Berlin is a master at dissecting the ideas held by thinkers since Niccolo Machiavelli. Seldom can he be faulted on tracing their ideological origins. But Berlin never suggests where our own ideas, that is the ideals shared by many of us living on both sides of the Atlantic, could be headed. I believe there still is time for him to address himself to the question: What are the viable philosophic paths open to man?

It is perfectly understandable that he rejects the notion of any clearly discernible final goal for man. But where does that leave us, except floating chaotically amidst conflicting social and political objectives? Instead of confronting the central issue facing philosophy in our era, Sir Isaiah has skirted it.

Sir Isaiah never hints as to how man might or should strengthen the pluralism of values and opinions he treasures so highly. As he has made clear in his writings, the historic process of the evolution of ideology need not be unintelligible. It is, in part, the unwillingness of thinkers and philosophers like Sir Isaiah Berlin to provide the illumination that has led the young to seek of the Rev. Moon, the authoritarians such as Helmut Marcuse, or the mystically inclined such as Ouspensky. Why is it that one of the most gifted minds of our time has failed, or refuses, to light up the road just ahead?

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Decade's Worries Spilling Into '80s

LONDON, Dec. 27 (AP-DJ) — Placable inflation and steadily rising energy costs dominated the decade now ending and hold out prospects for the 1980s.

The age of cheap oil ended abruptly and sent the world reeling to the worst economic slump in years. Sharply higher oil prices, topped on a summer world in 1973, brought misery to many homes, hit motorists and sent up costs of food and practically every manufactured product.

And with the latest brutal increases in the cost of crude oil, the International Monetary Fund, the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development and the N. Economic Commission for Europe, foresee rising inflation, unemployment and business stagnation continuing well into the 1980s.

In Western Europe, West Germany and Switzerland remained bulwarks of economic stability during the decade. But Britain declined steadily as a world economic power despite increasing flows of North Sea oil and gas.

How the Decade Began

The decade began quietly enough. True, governments complained of persistent inflation and tried various nostrums that seemed to have little effect.

And there were rumblings in foreign exchanges that spilled over into major bullion markets.

But the price of gold was only about \$35 an ounce, thanks to the Bretton Woods agreement that bound the United States to buy at that price whatever bullion was offered. This tied the dollar to the precious metal and made it the benchmark for all free currencies.

It became a whole new ballgame on Aug. 15, 1971, however. With the dollar under heavy pressure in foreign exchanges and speculators buying every ounce of gold they could lay their hands on, former President Richard Nixon called a halt. He ended the dollar's convertibility into gold, and by so doing other currencies were subsequently freed to float according to supply and demand.

At that time gold was already up to \$434 an ounce. It went on to skyrocket by over 1,000 percent during the decade as people deserted paper money for something they considered more solid, even base metals like copper, tin and zinc. Tin prices, quintupled, zinc trebled and copper doubled.

The freeing of the dollar from gold brought turmoil in Europe's foreign exchanges. The dollar was down to 3.48 Deutsche marks, 5.50 French francs, 3.82 Swiss francs, 349 Japanese yen and a British pound was worth \$2.50. But the slide of the once-mighty dollar was almost continuous, and toward the end of 1979, it was only worth 1.75 marks, 4.12 French francs, 1.64 Swiss francs and 250 yen.

The pound, which had its own troubles over the years because of Britain's

Despite Several Remaining Risks Businessmen Invading Rhodesia

SALISBURY, Dec. 27 (AP-DJ) — After seven years of guerrilla war that took more than 20,000 lives, this southern African land has at last a ceasefire. Now it is seeing a new kind of invasion: the businessmen are coming.

Major hotels, half-empty just a few months ago, are jammed. Every rental car in town is spoken for. Foreigners in business suits are being eyed warily by war-weary locals, some dressed in combat fatigues and hobbling on crutches.

But there is plenty of reason for caution. Despite the truce signed in London last week, armed clashes in the countryside continue. Simply informing all the scattered guerrilla groups of the agreement presents a difficult problem, and overcoming their skepticism is another. A 1,200-member Commonwealth force sent by Britain is highly armed and can only monitor the ceasefire, not enforce it.

Election to Be Held

Moreover, an election still must be held in Rhodesia. Many business people worry that a political victory by the former guerrilla leader Joshua Nkomo and Robert Mugabe could lead to widespread nationalizations of industry that would drive away further investment and the remaining educated whites.

Despite these risks, business interest in Rhodesia is running high. Real-estate values are climbing. The number of whites has slowed greatly. Millions of dollars held in bank accounts in Britain have been freed, and investment interest is especially strong there.

Above all, the United Nations Security Council has formally lifted the trade embargo it imposed after the British colony declared independence un-

der a white-minority government 14 years ago. The five black nations that border Rhodesia stated this week their intention to resume trade with it. For the United States, all this represents both an economic and a diplomatic success.

Businessmen Expect Benefits

Zambia had been threatening to turn to Cuba for military aid as a result of raids by Rhodesian government troops, who destroyed vital railway bridges in Zambia to prevent guerrilla infiltration.

Zaire, too, is dependent on rail access to the sea through Zambia and Rhodesia. Businessmen expect many benefits aside from wider markets. As one prominent Salisbury banker put it, "the middleman will vanish and many companies will save 10 percent easily. Transport costs will come down because we'll no longer have to ship in circuitous fashion. And finally, the ability to easily obtain spare parts and machinery will help us compete."

Union Carbide's subsidiary here, which is believed to control about 60 percent of Rhodesia's big chrome-export business, is expected to be able to market directly to the United States. Metals traders say that availability of the high-quality Rhodesian chrome will mean savings for U.S. producers of stainless steel.

One thing that encourages many businessmen is the success that some foreign subsidiaries had while operating under international economic sanctions and wartime conditions.

Not everyone shares the enthusiasm. Many have seen hopes dashed before. The long war, a struggle marked by many atrocities, engendered bitter animosities. Tribal and political factionalism further divides the populace.

Consumers Disagree on 'Floor' Price

Cocoa Exporters May Seek Support Fund

LONDON, Dec. 27 (AP-DJ) — Major cocoa-producing countries might set up their own fund to support cocoa prices following their failure last month to agree on joint price-support action with consumer nations.

Earlier this month, members of the 10-nation cocoa producers' alliance announced that they had agreed on a minimum sales price for the commodity, but they are not saying what the price is. Many analysts believe this could be the first step in formation of a price-support facility similar to the "Bogota Fund" established by coffee producers.

In November, talks in Geneva failed to reach a new international cocoa agreement because of strong

differences between producers and consumers on the price levels the accord would seek to defend.

Producers are particularly upset over the refusal of consumers to agree on a "floor" price that they can deem adequate, particularly after the downward pressure that three seasons of cocoa surpluses has brought on prices. Though consumers were willing to write a \$1-a-pound floor price into the accord, producers led by the Ivory Coast demanded \$1.20.

\$200 Million

Some consumers suspect that the producers' stance could represent a change of policy. Cocoa-watchers observed that if a new agreement is not reached to replace the expiring world agreement, producers would receive about \$200 million from the London-based International Cocoa Organization, which administers the pact.

The money constitutes the current agreement's buffer stock fund, which was raised from levies on international cocoa trading since 1975. The money has never been spent to buy cocoa because the pact's floor level, recently 65 cents a pound, has been consistently below levels on the world market. Cocoa

currently is quoted at about \$1.40 a pound.

The possibility that this money could form the basis of a cocoa fund administered by producers has occurred to trading nations. Analysts say that the earliest it would be made available is during the second quarter of 1980 if a new agreement failed to emerge from renewed negotiations.

The existing agreement ends on March 31. Extensions totaling a further 18 months from that time are possible if producers consent.

For the moment, however, producers are seeking to establish their minimum support price by more closely aligning their export policies. The producers, a Ghanaian source said, were looking for "favorable" prices. But he added that "no figure has been given."

The source said that cocoa prices have risen in recent days partly because "the Ivory Coast has been stockpiling cocoa," but he added that "Ghana hasn't done any business at all."

If the producers do set up a support fund, they are bound to meet a strong reaction from consumers. According to one consumer-country representative, "it would be a nail

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Commodities Commission Member Seeking to Bar Public Transcripts

By Jerry Knight

WASHINGTON, Dec. 27 (WP) — A member of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission says he is preparing a lawsuit against his fellow commissioners to keep them from making public the transcripts of confidential commission meetings.

At issue in the dispute is whether the CFTC — or any other federal regulatory agency — must make public its internal deliberations. The commission member who is bringing the suit, David Gartner, said yesterday that he feared the effectiveness of the regulatory process would be threatened if transcripts and tape recordings of closed-door CFTC meetings were released.

Subcommittee Subpoena

Earlier this month, a Senate subcommittee investigating attempts to corner the market in farm commodities subpoenaed commission records dealing with potential manipulation of commodity markets. The subcommittee, headed by Sen. Max Baucus, D-Mont., asked the CFTC for information about any instances in which a small group of specu-

tors controlled 80 percent or more of the supply of wheat, corn, soybeans, cattle and hogs.

Over Mr. Gartner's objections, the CFTC voted 3-to-1 to give the subcommittee confidential information naming the investors who owned huge holdings of commodities, as well as transcripts of CFTC meetings at which the holdings were discussed.

Mr. Gartner said yesterday that he has hired his own lawyer to challenge the commission's action because there is no legal precedent for making public the internal deliberations of a federal regulatory agency. Mr. Gartner said he was concerned that members of federal regulatory agencies would be reluctant to discuss their opinions, even during executive sessions, if their comments could be made public later.

Despite Crisis, U.S. Companies Forestalling Write-Offs on Iran

NEW YORK, Dec. 27 (AP-DJ) — Despite months of estrangement between the United States and Iran, many U.S. companies have decided against taking write-offs to reflect their Iranian losses.

Instead, they are preferring to wait out the current crisis in the hope that relations will improve, or that some losses can be recovered through negotiations with Tehran.

Some other companies are not quite so optimistic. They already have written off their Iranian losses or are planning to do so and many have filed suits to recover losses. But a few companies with Iranian operations have escaped unharmed.

No Write-Offs

Banker International Corp. of Orange, Calif., for instance, still has oil-well equipment in Iran but does not expect to take any write-offs, said Frank Scott, a vice president. The supplier of petroleum and mining products and services has a "total exposure" in Iran of about \$1.5 million in receivables and inventory, down from \$3.8 million reported in January.

General Motors said that it has not done anything conclusive about its Iranian affiliate in which it has a 45-percent stake. The automaker said it is not shipping any more parts to the operation, and has not received any replies to queries about whether the plant is still making cars and trucks. But GM was told earlier this year by the Iranian government that it wanted the company to stay in Iran and continue its holding.

U.S. oil companies reported that their interests in the former petroleum-producing consortium, Iranian Oil Participants Ltd., were "in limbo."

Although most oil companies in the group do not have significant physical assets remaining in Iran, members of the consortium claim that the Iranian government owes them for cash advanced to National Iranian Oil Co. as operating expenses. Negotiations still are under way to have the funds returned.

Some companies insist that all is not lost in Iran. Exxon, which has a 25-percent interest valued at \$740.8 million in an oil plant near Tehran,

said that the plant continues to operate and the company still receives its share of the profit. "Nobody has taken any action to deprive us of our share," an Exxon spokesman stated.

But many companies have not been so fortunate. Sedco Inc., a Dallas oil and natural gas producer that performed extensive contract drilling, pipeline construction and ship-repair work in Iran prior to the revolution, says that it has suffered "substantial losses."

Sedco made a provision for losses in Iran of \$50 million, after taxes, for the fiscal year ended June 30. As a result, Sedco posted a loss for the year of \$38.1 million on revenue of \$391.5 million.

The Iranian situation was a major factor behind the loss of nearly \$2 million that Harnischfeger Corp., of Milwaukee, Wis., posted for fiscal 1979 ended Oct. 31. Early in January, the Iranian government canceled \$20 million of construction-

equipment orders that were en route to the country. In addition, Harnischfeger canceled an additional \$10 million in Iranian orders on its books.

U.S. Bars Iran Credit

WASHINGTON, Dec. 27 (AP) — The Treasury Department said yesterday that its order freezing Iran's assets under United States jurisdiction also prevents U.S. banks from granting any loans or otherwise extending credit to Iran.

In what it described as an "interim regulation," the Treasury said in a statement that "the prohibition applies to extensions or renewals of credit after Nov. 14 in any currency, unless they are authorized by license."

Treasury officials said that U.S. banks may transfer blocked Iranian funds from checking accounts to interest-bearing accounts at the instruction of Iranian depositors.

Japan Says Export Checks Will Not Injure Iran Trade

TOKYO, Dec. 27 (Reuters) — The Japanese Ministry of International Trade and Industry said today that its decision yesterday to make case-by-case checks on all applications for ordinary export insurance on shipments to Iran was unlikely to seriously affect Japanese exports to Iran.

The new measure, which extends individual screening in exports of consumer goods, as well as to ships, machinery and industrial plants that have been subject to such checks since February, will mainly involve scrutiny of the payments terms of export contracts, the ministry said.

It became necessary to scrutinize payments terms for export contracts, the ministry said, following reports that the Iranian Central Bank has given notice it will withdraw deposits from the London branches of some Japanese banks.

The ministry said that the measure was not a gesture intended to show Japan's willingness to cooperate with United States policy seeking to restrain trade with Iran.

Some analysts assert that case-by-case checks, rather than the automatic processing done previously, will sharply curtail Japanese exports to Iran (HT, Dec. 27).

Meanwhile, a leading Japanese trading house said that the measure would not affect its exports to Iran, which are mostly backed by letters of credit issued by Iranian banks. But, it added, the possibility cannot be precluded that the measure might provoke countermeasures by Iran.

Iranian Construction Put Off

TOKYO, Dec. 27 (Reuters) — Resumption of construction work on a joint Japanese-Iranian petrochemical complex at Bandar Shapur will have to be postponed until next March at the earliest, Mitsui & Co., Ltd., said.

The project, held up since the Iranian revolution, was to have been resumed last month, but the National Petrochemical Co. of Iran, the Iranian partner, has raised several questions, a Mitsui spokesman said.

Big Board Steady As Volume Increases

NEW YORK, Dec. 27 (Reuters) — New York Stock Exchange prices closed mixed today after trading in a narrow range most of the session although volume picked up on year-end selling for tax purposes and portfolio adjustments.

The Dow Jones industrial average rose 1.96 to 840.10 but declines led advances about four to three on volume of more than 30 million shares.

After the close, the Federal Reserve Board said commercial and industrial loans at large U.S. banks rose \$2.7 billion in the week to Dec. 19 to \$154.5 billion, up \$22.5 billion from a year earlier.

Business loans at major New York City reporting banks rose \$171 million in the week ended yesterday compared with a revised rise of \$1.6 billion last week.

Fairmont Foods gained 1 1/2 to

14 1/2. It is considering an acquisition proposal by American Financial Corp.

SAMA Gets IBM Notes

ARMONK, N.Y., Dec. 27 (Reuters) — International Business Machines said today it privately placed \$300 million of seven-year notes with the Saudi Arabian Monetary Agency. It was IBM's first placement with the Saudi agency. Proceeds from the notes, which have an average life of 5 1/2 years and a coupon of 10.8 percent, will be used for increased capital requirements, IBM says.

24 1/2. It said it has made no substantial progress in its search for an attractive acquisition proposal for the company.

Sunshine Mining gained 1 1/2 to 29 1/2. Arab Investors Group SA, a Luxembourg corporation, reported it bought 1.03 million shares of common stock, or 19.4 percent, of Sunshine Mining as an investment.

Companies increasing quarterly dividends were American Brands to \$1.37 a share, Boston Edison to 68 cents a share, JMB Realty Trust to 53 and Prudential Fed Savings & Loan to 18.

American Manufacturing announced the liquidation distribution of \$62 a share.

China Increases Foreign Trade 26.7% in Year

From Agency Dispatches
PEKING, Dec. 27 — China's 1979 foreign trade through Dec. 22 was a record \$28.64 billion, up 26.7 percent from a year earlier, the Foreign Trade Ministry said today.

It reported exports of \$13.43 billion and imports of \$15.21 billion, leaving a trade deficit of \$1.78 billion.

The announcement gave an upturn by countries, but Peking diplomatic sources said Japan unilaterally retained its position as "China's leading foreign trade partner with a two-way exchange of goods valued at well over \$5 billion."

The United States and West Germany were about tied for second place, with the two-way trade of both countries with China near \$2 billion.

The ministry said China's major imports were machinery, chemical fertilizer and raw materials for textile production, including cotton. Chinese imports of U.S. cotton rose to a record 1.7 million bales this year.

Separately, Sun Suochang, head of the U.S. trade section in China's Foreign Trade Ministry, said that U.S. barriers to Chinese goods must be lowered. While Sino-American trade has been making rapid headway over recent years, the unbalanced balance for China has been widening. If this remains unchanged, he said, it will be impossible for China to maintain a rapid expansion of two-way trade.

If the U.S. wishes to trade with China, it is imperative that barriers restricting China's exports to the U.S. be lowered. This will strengthen our ability to purchase U.S. products," Mr. Sun said in an article for the official foreign trade magazine.

France, Saudis Set Accord on Oil Sales

PARIS, Dec. 27 (AP-DJ) — France and Saudi Arabia have concluded a major oil-supply contract covering the next three years, Saudi Arabia's Oil Minister Sheikh Ahmed Zaki Yamani said today after a meeting with President Valéry Giscard d'Estaing. Mr. Yamani did not give any details of the accord.

He also denied reports that his government had decided to raise its oil price by \$2 a barrel in February. "No decision has been taken," he said.

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Japanese watchmakers are laying claim to the title of the world's top producer for 1979, surpassing the traditional world leader Switzerland. An industry spokesman says Japan made 42.8 million watches in the first nine months of 1979, and output is expected to reach 59 million timepieces for the year. The Swiss are expected to turn out fewer than 50 million pieces this year, according to Yoshihiro Shimakawa, managing director of Japan's Clock and Watch Association. Switzerland does not publish production figures but the estimate, he says, is based on exports of 39.3 million chronographs in nine months. "They export 95 to 97 percent of their total production," he says, adding that it is quite safe to predict Japan's lead over Switzerland. "Japan has been increasing all these years while Switzerland, taking nearly one-half of global markets in 1970, has been on a downhill since 1975." The world's watch production last year was some 278 million units, he says. Of this, Switzerland accounted for 22 percent, Japan 17 percent, the Soviet Union 12 percent and the United States 11 percent. Mr. Shimakawa cites the strong Swiss franc and high labor costs as reasons for Japan's advance. But also, he says, Swiss industry — divided up in many small companies — has problems meeting the challenge of quartz watches, which require "big investments and integrated production lines."

The U.S. Energy Department began proceedings to require three utilities to use coal instead of oil at seven large power plants, a move the department says could save about 47,000 barrels of oil a day. The companies involved are Long Island Lighting, Commonwealth Edison and Atlantic City Electric. The proposals are the first under a 1978 law that allows the government to bar utilities from using oil or natural gas in facilities that can burn coal. A three-month period for public comment must elapse before the department decides whether to make the order final.

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WHEAT	Open	High	Low	Close	Chg.
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May	4.47	4.47	4.37	4.39	-.04
Jul	4.47	4.47	4.37	4.39	-.04
Sep	4.47	4.47	4.37	4.39	-.04
Nov	4.47	4.47	4.37	4.39	-.04
Dec	4.47	4.47	4.37	4.39	-.04
Jan	4.47	4.47	4.37	4.39	-.04

Sales Wed. 20,232.
Total open interest Wed. 57,451, up 1,149 from Fri.

CORN	Open	High	Low	Close	Chg.
Mar	2.59	2.59	2.49	2.51	-.04
May	2.59	2.59	2.49	2.51	-.04
Jul	2.59	2.59	2.49	2.51	-.04
Sep	2.59	2.59	2.49	2.51	-.04
Nov	2.59	2.59	2.49	2.51	-.04
Dec	2.59	2.59	2.49	2.51	-.04
Jan	2.59	2.59	2.49	2.51	-.04

Sales Wed. 23,232.
Total open interest Wed. 162,392, off 12,009 from Fri.

SOYBEANS	Open	High	Low	Close	Chg.
Mar	6.40	6.40	6.30	6.32	-.04
May	6.40	6.40	6.30	6.32	-.04
Jul	6.40	6.40	6.30	6.32	-.04
Sep	6.40	6.40	6.30	6.32	-.04
Nov	6.40	6.40	6.30	6.32	-.04
Dec	6.40	6.40	6.30	6.32	-.04
Jan	6.40	6.40	6.30	6.32	-.04

Sales Wed. 20,232.
Total open interest Wed. 179,043, off 33 from Fri.

SOYBEAN MEAL	Open	High	Low	Close	Chg.
Mar	18.50	18.50	18.40	18.42	-.02
May	18.50	18.50	18.40	18.42	-.02
Jul	18.50	18.50	18.40	18.42	-.02
Sep	18.50	18.50	18.40	18.42	-.02
Nov	18.50	18.50	18.40	18.42	-.02
Dec	18.50	18.50	18.40	18.42	-.02
Jan	18.50	18.50	18.40	18.42	-.02

Sales Wed. 6,232.
Total open interest Wed. 51,294, off 101 from Fri.

SOYBEAN OIL	Open	High	Low	Close	Chg.
Mar	25.50	25.50	25.40	25.42	-.02
May	25.50	25.50	25.40	25.42	-.02
Jul	25.50	25.50	25.40	25.42	-.02
Sep	25.50	25.50	25.40	25.42	-.02
Nov	25.50	25.50	25.40	25.42	-.02
Dec	25.50	25.50	25.40	25.42	-.02
Jan	25.50	25.50	25.40	25.42	-.02

Sales Wed. 6,232.
Total open interest Wed. 44,700, off 158 from Fri.

CATS	Open	High	Low	Close	Chg.
Mar	1.02	1.02	1.00	1.01	-.01
May	1.02	1.02	1.00	1.01	-.01
Jul	1.02	1.02	1.00	1.01	-.01
Sep	1.02	1.02	1.00	1.01	-.01
Nov	1.02	1.02	1.00	1.01	-.01
Dec	1.02	1.02	1.00	1.01	-.01
Jan	1.02	1.02	1.00	1.01	-.01

Sales Wed. 1,024.
Total open interest Wed. 5,133, up 4 from Fri.

LIVE BEEF CATTLE	Open	High	Low	Close	Chg.
Mar	68.00	68.00	67.50	67.50	-.05
May	68.00	68.00	67.50	67.50	-.05
Jul	68.00	68.00	67.50	67.50	-.05
Sep	68.00	68.00	67.50	67.50	-.05
Nov	68.00	68.00	67.50	67.50	-.05
Dec	68.00	68.00	67.50	67.50	-.05
Jan	68.00	68.00	67.50	67.50	-.05

Sales Wed. 21,322.
Total open interest Wed. 191,110, up 374 from Fri.

FEEDER CATTLE	Open	High	Low	Close	Chg.
Mar	84.00	84.00	83.50	83.50	-.05
May	84.00	84.00	83.50	83.50	-.05
Jul	84.00	84.00	83.50	83.50	-.05
Sep	84.00	84.00	83.50	83.50	-.05
Nov	84.00	84.00	83.50	83.50	-.05
Dec	84.00	84.00	83.50	83.50	-.05
Jan	84.00	84.00	83.50	83.50	-.05

Sales Wed. 2,457.
Total open interest Wed. 13,517, off 2 from Fri.

AMERICAN MOST ACTIVES	Open	High	Low	Close	Chg.
Mar	1.02	1.02	1.00	1.01	-.01
May	1.02	1.02	1.00	1.01	-.01
Jul	1.02	1.02	1.00	1.01	-.01
Sep	1.02	1.02	1.00	1.01	-.01
Nov	1.02	1.02	1.00	1.01	-.01
Dec	1.02	1.02	1.00	1.01	-.01
Jan	1.02	1.02	1.00	1.01	-.01

STANDARD & POORS	Open	High	Low	Close	Chg.
Mar	1.02	1.02	1.00	1.01	-.01
May	1.02	1.02	1.00	1.01	-.01
Jul	1.02	1.02	1.00	1.01	-.01
Sep	1.02	1.02	1.00	1.01	-.01
Nov	1.02	1.02	1.00	1.01	-.01
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NYSE INDEX	Open	High	Low	Close	Chg.
Mar	1.02	1.02	1.00	1.01	-.01
May	1.02	1.02	1.00	1.01	-.01
Jul	1.02	1.02	1.00	1.01	-.01
Sep	1.02	1.02	1.00	1.01	-.01
Nov	1.02	1.02	1.00	1.01	-.01
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U.S. Commodity Prices

Open					High	Low	Close	Chg.
LIVE HOGS								
@ 100 lbs; cents per lb.								
Feb	41.40	42.00	41.35	41.90	+	.13		
Mar	39.80	40.10	39.70	40.37	+	.42		
Apr	42.42	43.35	43.40	44.25	+	.33		
Jun	45.40	45.10	44.40	45.10	+	.35		
Aug	43.70	44.30	43.60	43.97	+	.85		
Dec	42.30	43.45	43.00	43.37	+	.05		

Open					High	Low	Close	Chg.
ESTIMATED								
@ 550 lbs; cents per lb.								
Sep	35.60	35.90	35.60	35.54	-	.04		
Dec	35.60	35.60	35.50	35.55	+	.05		

Est. sales 711; sales Wed. 522.
Total open interest Wed. 7,242, of 134 from FRI.
Net change quoted in points, 1 point equals \$10,000.

Sales Wed. 20,232.
Total open interest Wed. 57,451, up 1,149 from Fri.

CORN	Open	High	Low	Close	Chg.
Mar	2.59	2.59	2.49	2.51	-.04
May	2.59	2.59	2.49	2.51	-.04
Jul	2.59	2.59	2.49	2.51	-.04
Sep	2.59	2.59	2.49	2.51	-.04
Nov	2.59	2.59	2.49	2.51	-.04
Dec	2.59	2.59	2.49	2.51	-.04
Jan	2.59	2.59	2.49	2.51	-.04

Sales Wed. 23,232.
Total open interest Wed. 162,392, off 12,009 from Fri.

SOYBEANS	Open	High	Low	Close	Chg.
Mar	6.40	6.40	6.30	6.32	-.04
May	6.40	6.40	6.30	6.32	-.04
Jul	6.40	6.40	6.30	6.32	-.04
Sep	6.40	6.40	6.30	6.32	-.04
Nov	6.40	6.40	6.30	6.32	-.04
Dec	6.40	6.40	6.30	6.32	-.04
Jan	6.40	6.40	6.30	6.32	-.04

Sales Wed. 20,232.
Total open interest Wed. 179,043, off 33 from Fri.

SOYBEAN MEAL	Open	High
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Tables include the nationwide prices up to the closing on Wall Street

12 Month Stock	Sig	Class	Chrgs	12 Month Stock	Sig	Class	Chrgs	12 Month Stock	Sig	Class	Chrgs
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industrial decline, was hovering

Hard on the heels of the currency

pricing and quadrupled the price

benchmark is \$24 a barrel, below free-market prices

the foreign-trade deficit is li

balances of payment] in smaller sur-

ture of Europe was clouded by

limited success so far achieved in reducing oil consumption. The program has brought a record balance-of-payments deficit, and fed

Both the IMF and the European growth. But North Sea oil pro-

and a modest 4.2 percent infl

single figures. But labor unions

Labor Prime Minister James Cal-

Thatcher led her Conservatives into office with a rigid doctrine of free-

the improvement is foreseen.

restrictions, inflation took off again

trade deficit built up even though

inflation is partly the result of

last five years and attract foreign investment. But oil shortages and range up to 20 percent. Huge

Europe's Outlook

showed: Growth will slow to 2 percent from 3 percent this year. BEC

Mud Forming

ments deficit of the nine members

ister Otto Lamsdorff forecasts a

There seems some doubt, tho

to rise close to a million from 1979's

rope's success story in 1979 with

inflation. Industrial production was about the effectiveness of a sup

was in the red, mainly because of higher oil prices. Inflation may con-

Producers and consumers scheduled to return migration

any. Meanwhile, the likelihood of another sizable surplus is on a

ing costs of imported oil are expected to make 1980 a bad economic year, it seems as if 1979-80 will prove to be the third successive crop

growth, higher unemployment, an

amount to 75,000 metric tons.

late in 1979 with manufactured port added, "unless there is con-

employment continued high and inflation was more than 6 percent, "isn't any reason to expect that decline will be either substantial

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Crosby	33	33 1/2	Jamby	17 1/2	18 1/2	Plasma
Critic Ed	13 1/2	21 1/2	JRty Ed	13	21	Protein

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 SATIRE PUREES
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 ERIES LETTIS SINT
 DECKS DTE FULE
 SKILL ANGERED
 PNET DEAR
 RAPPORTY TRESC
 LENCE IDN LATIC
 AVER SPRIG LURIT
 SEN APPSTLE TEL
 RAGGLED RDTATTEL
 LEAVES EARNED
 SPAN TEAR

ALGAEWYE	14	57	Overcast	MADRID	5	41	Overcast
AMSTERDAM	9	37	Overcast	MIAMI	19	46	Cloudy
ANZARA	3	28	Overcast	MILWAUKEE	4	43	Foggy
ATHENS	9	48	Cloudy	MONTREAL	—	30	Cloudy
BEIRUT	13	55	Cloudy	MOSCOW	—	18	Overcast
BERLHRADE	8	35	Foggy	MURKIN	2	26	Cloudy
BERLIN	2	34	Foggy	NEW YORK	12	54	Cloudy
BRUSSELS	3	37	Overcast	NICE	12	54	Cloudy
BUCHAREST	2	36	Foggy	OSLO	2	27	Snow
BUDAPEST	2	36	Overcast	PARIS	3	37	Overcast
CASABLANCA	14	52	Foggy	PHILADELPHIA	—	30	Foggy
COPENHAGEN	2	26	Foggy	PORTLAND	—	30	Foggy
COSTA DEL SOL	15	51	Cloudy	SOFIA	—	30	Foggy
DUBLIN	5	39	Overcast	STOCKHOLM	1	34	Overcast
EDINBURGH	4	39	Rain	TEHRAN	10	50	Cloudy
FLORENCE	11	52	Overcast	TEL AVIV	12	54	Fair
FRANKFURT	3	34	Foggy	TOKYO	9	46	Fair
GENEVA	3	37	Fair	TUNIS	15	59	Overcast
HELSINKI	2	36	Overcast	VIEENNA	3	37	Cloudy
HONOLULU	2	32	Rain	WASHINGTON	—	30	Foggy
ISTANBUL	8	32	Snow	WASHINGTON	7	45	Cloudy
LAS PALMAS	16	54	Overcast	ZURICH	1	34	Foggy
LISBON	9	48	Foggy				
LONDON	2	36	Rain				
LOS ANGELES	21	70	Clear				

(Yesterdays readings U.S. and Canada at 1700 GMT; Houston and Los Angeles at 2000 GMT)

PEANUTS

THAT STUPID WOODSTOCK!

HE COST US THE HOCKEY GAME...

HE-TRIED TO USE MAGAZINES FOR SHIN PADS...SO WHAT HAPPENED?

THE OTHER TEAM SCORED WHILE HE WAS READING HIS SHIN PADS!

B.C.

GOOD GRACIOUS, WHAT'S THAT YOU'RE WEARING?

IT'S A NEW AFTER-SHAVE PETER GAVE ME FOR CHRISTMAS, ...WHY?

YOU REEK!

HEY! GREAT NAME FOR A LIGHT BULB!

B. BLONDIE

WHO SET THE ALARM FOR FIVE?

I DID

WE'RE ALWAYS RUSHING AROUND AT BREAKFAST AND WE NEVER GET TO TALK

THIS WAY WE'LL HAVE TIME TO CHAT

SO FAR IT HASN'T BEEN MUCH OF A CONVERSATION!

B. BEETLE BAILEY

FOR RELAXATION, SARGE LIKES TO TAKE HIS JEEP APART AND PUT IT BACK TOGETHER AGAIN

A LOT OF GUYS DO THAT

BAM!

SCRRGGG

WITHOUT TOOLS?

NOPE, WALTER.

ANDY CAPP

WE'D BETTER BE OFF TO THE PARTY, CHALKIE

YOU SURE IT'S OKAY I'LL TAKE ME ALONG?

DEFINITELY, I'M TER SON-IN-LAW AN ENTITLED TO BRING ALONG MY BEST FRIEND

I'D RATHER STAY HERE ANY-...ANY-...WE GO?

OF COURSE, NEARBY

I'VE NEVER TURNED DOWN AN INVITATION TO A PARTY...EVEN WHEN I DON'T GET ONE!

WIZARD OF ID

THE SPOOK TRIED TO ESCAPE AGAIN!

THIS TIME I'M GOING TO TEACH HIM A LESSON!

EASY, SURE...

I'LL DOUBLE HIS RATION OF SWILL

REX MORGAN

DR. MORGAN TOLD ME THAT YOU HAD HIM SEE SARA ABOUT FOUR YEARS AGO BECAUSE YOU WERE HAVING SOME TROUBLE WITH HER THEN!

IT DIDN'T TURN OUT TO BE ANYTHING SERIOUS

HE SUGGESTED THAT WE HAVE HER GIVEN BY A PSYCHIATRIST THEN...BUT IN A DAY OR TWO SHE SPERRED FINE...AND I SAW NO POINT IN IT...

LOOKING BACK ON IT NOW, DO YOU THINK SHE MAY HAVE BEEN ON DRUGS THEN?

THAT'S RIDICULOUS! SHE WAS ONLY FOUR-TEEN AT THE TIME!

DOONESBURY

MR. AFSHAR, WHAT IS YOUR REACTION TO THE REPORT THAT STUDENTS WITH THE MOST ACADEMIC PROBLEMS HAVE BEEN RECALLED FROM DUTY?

THESE FALSEHOODS FLESTER IN THE MOUTHS OF ZIONIST JACK-RABBITS. THE STUDENTS WHO LED THIS MOST HOLY ATTACK ARE STILL WITHIN THE COMPOUND.

WE HAVE REMAINED AT OUR POSTS THROUGHOUT, EVEN ON THE FIRST SATURDAY OF DECEMBER, WHICH IS, OF COURSE, SACRED TO US.

SACRED? HOW SO?

HONORING THE BIG SOCCER GAME WITH GOM TECH.

OILERS AND SWEEPERS
By George Dennison. Random House. 179 pp. \$7.95.
Reviewed by James Arlas

LOVE, ETC.

By Bel Kaufman. Prentice-Hall. 410 pp. \$11.95.

Reviewed by Anne Wittels

SCIENTISTS people our vocabulary, and what we aren't aware of them: Watt, Ampere, Diesel.

Less frequently, books have such an impact; their titles become sociological shorthand, entering the vocabularies of even those who never read them. We recognize "The Man in the Gray Flannel Suit." We understand a "Catch-22" situation. And we know what it means to be caught going "Up the Down Staircase."

Bel Kaufman introduced us to that teen-age underworld 15 years ago. This is her first novel since then. Comparisons are inevitable—especially since her second novel was to be in the same non-traditional way as her first.

Presenting a young teacher's view of the first year at a metropolitan school, "Up the Down Staircase" was constructed from an accumulation of notes, administrative circulars, letters from the principal, oddments from the class suggestion box and students' notebooks—the whole given unity by occasional letters to an old friend.

"Love, etc." is also an amalgam: Jessica's diary (Jess is still recovering from the 12-year-old divorce from Charlie); chapters from her novel (about Isabel, who is painfully divorcing her husband, Edgar); "Notes to Myself" (about what might or might not be suitable for inclusion in her novel); letters to Nina (also a novelist, about their novels, their divorces, and Jess' current love affair); letters from Nina to Jess (ditto).

Kaufman is an excellent writer, witty and perceptive. Her puns and non-sequiturs are a constant delight. Her "typographical errors" are intentional, but her book doesn't work as well as it might. Why?

Subject matter. Nina writes to Jess: "I know the subject of divorce is gross. But . . . But if the subject of divorce is gross, it's loneliness or love . . . or love's lack—then divorce gets too big a billing.

Varities of writing. Although the reader is "able to see the whole in its parts," the trouble is that all the parts sound the same.

In "Up the Down Staircase," Kaufman, as author, presumably wrote the notes "written by" the kids and administrators. But it doesn't sound that way. Here, Jess keeps reminding herself that she's not Isabel. No wonder; they do sound alike. Letters from Jess, and letters from Nina, sound alike, too. And that is the problem of idiosyncrasy. Relative to "Up the Down Staircase," had impact. Immediacy. Relatively long. "Love, etc." contains so much writing about writing, it's like brushing one's hair in front of multiple mirrors: One is so caught up seeing it reflected hand hand hand holdin the brush brush brush, one can't feel the tug on one's scalp.

On page 381, in one of "Notes to Myself," Jess says: "coming impatient with Isabel, I sit time for time, and I don't want moving, do something about life?" Still, Kaufman has captured middle-aged adolescence in this idyl as she did the teen-ager in first. And, flawed though the book may be, this title, too, may c our vocabularies. For who am us has escaped feeling what on Nina's face? What's not destined to do something, to find so one or something, to love, etc."

Anne Winters' latest book is *Wonder . . . : A Satirical Sex-Social Semantics*. She wrote this view for *The Los Angeles Times*.

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By Alan Trusc

ON the diagrammed deal, South found himself playing four hearts. The response of three diamonds to two no-trump was a Jacoby transfer, showing length in hearts. The opening spade lead was won in dummy, and the singleton

club was led. The defense will have prevailed if East had put the ace and shifted to a trump, he ducked.

South won with the king and ceased to ruff all his remain clubs, using the spade ace and diamond king as entries to closed hand. The ending was thi

NORTH
 ♠K52
 ♥205743
 ♦7652
 ♣5

WEST
 ♠Q710
 ♥KQ5
 ♦QJ32
 ♣QJ104

EAST
 ♠843
 ♥532
 ♦864
 ♣A974

SOUTH (2)
 ♠A784
 ♥A3
 ♦AKJ
 ♣K93

NORTH
 ♠5
 ♥108
 ♦785
 ♣—

WEST
 ♠—
 ♥KQ9
 ♦Q10
 ♣—

EAST
 ♠—
 ♥—
 ♦652
 ♣8

SOUTH
 ♠78
 ♥A3
 ♦AJ
 ♣—

Both sides were vulnerable. The bid-
 ding:
 South West North East
 2NT Pass 3♦ Pass
 3♥ Pass 4♥ Pass
 Pass Pass

West led the spade queen.

Soviet Team Takes on Rangers

Garden Ice: Smooth Follows Rough

By Dave Anderson

NEW YORK, Dec. 27 (NYT) — The next act in the hockey wars at Madison Square Garden, Soviet Central Army, perhaps world's best team, skates onto ice tonight to face the Rangers.

U.S. Olympians Show New Brand of Hockey

By Gerald Eskenazi

LAKE PLACID, N.Y., Dec. 27 (NYT) — Under the glittering gaze of the intense Herb Brooks, the United States Olympic hockey team emerged as a new force in the sport, having created a style that might come to be known as "American hockey."

Its most recent was a 5-1 victory over the Soviet Union in the semifinals of the World Cup of Hockey, which followed a 26-12-1 record in the 1980 Winter Olympics.

Where the Soviet team was a team of professionals, the Americans were a team of amateurs. The team was not created until last September. By the time the Olympic hockey begins on Feb. 11, the team will have played more than 60 games.

The Only Answer
Brooks, 42, believes his new technique is the only answer to the Russians. He has made considerable advances in recent years by the Europeans. He has abandoned traditional North American hockey of "playing the puck" and "chasing it," of skating "up and down the wing."

NHL Standings

CAMPBELL CONFERENCE			
Team	W	L	T
Pittsburgh	23	11	3
Philadelphia	22	12	3
Washington	21	13	4
Quebec	20	14	5
Montreal	19	15	6
Calgary	18	16	7
Edmonton	17	17	8
Vancouver	16	18	9
San Jose	15	19	10
Los Angeles	14	20	11
Chicago	13	21	12
St. Louis	12	22	13
Minnesota	11	23	14
Winnipeg	10	24	15
Colorado	9	25	16
Phoenix	8	26	17
San Diego	7	27	18
Los Angeles	6	28	19
San Jose	5	29	20
Calgary	4	30	21
Edmonton	3	31	22
Vancouver	2	32	23
San Jose	1	33	24
Los Angeles	0	34	25

the Bruins ugly departure — the swift skills of European hockey players. Put the Soviet Central Army team in the National Hockey League and it probably would win the Stanley Cup, to the chagrin of NHL chauvinists.

And the European imports, notably Ulf Nilsson and Anders Hedberg of the Rangers, should be considered ornaments for the NHL, but too many NHL players, and maybe even too many NHL referees, sneer at the imports as a threat to what they consider to be Canada's game, their game.

But hockey is no longer only Canada's game. It also is Europe's game now. Most importantly, hockey is a better game in Europe than it is in the NHL.

As the Russians have proven, hockey should be a game for artists, not muggers. Their national team stunned the NHL All-Stars in the Challenge Cup series at the Garden last February; their Olympic team has won the gold medal in five of the last six Winter Games.

Instead of acknowledging the European style and accepting the imports, NHL coaches prefer to continue testing their toughness. Moments after Sunday night's game ended, Ulf Nilsson was playing toward the Ranger bench when he was tripped from behind by Al Secord, a 205-pound Bruin defenseman.

The incident triggered the dispute between the Rangers and the Bruins that eventually exploded into the brawl between the Bruins and the Rangers, four of whom were arrested on disorderly conduct charges. Following the melee, the Garden needed city police to disperse 200 spectators who threatened to overturn the Bruins bus.

Nilsson is the Rangers' leading scorer with 37 points (nine goals, 28 assists). Anders Hedberg, the team's other Swedish import, is tied with 35 points (19 goals, 16 assists). Two are considered among the NHL's most polished players.

Red Smith

A Peer's Salute: Classic Sport by the Books

NEW YORK, Dec. 27 (NYT) — It's too late for this Christmas, but here is a gift that will serve just as well next year, or the next decade or the next century, which isn't so far away as all that. It is a new set of books called Sports Classics, published by Holtzman Press Inc. of Evanston, Ill.

The Holtzman Press is Jerry Holtzman, who writes sports for The Chicago Sun-Times and whose annual review of the season in the Baseball Guide represents the best in accurate, informed reporting. If you save each year's Guide, published by The Sporting News, and the autumn issue of The New Yorker that contains Roger Angell's personalized summing up, you have a collection of the State of the Game.

There are 10 works of nonfiction in Sports Classics, handsomely bound and printed. In Holtzman's judgment, they are the 10 best about sports ever done in this country. They cannot now be bought in stores but will be offered soon by American Express. Listed alphabetically by authors, they are:

"Eight Men Out," by Eliot Ainsworth, the definitive account of the crooked World Series of 1919, for which eight players on the Chicago White Sox were found guilty of throwing the game. "The Long Season," by Jim Brosnan; "Babe," Bob Creamer's magnificent five-year study of the remarkable George Herman Ruth.

That's for openers. Then come "Farewell to Sport," by Paul Gallico, the George Plimpton of his day, who swam with Johnny Weissmuller, golfed with Bobby Jones, battled against Herb Parnock and Dizzy Dean, and in Gar Wood's speedboat and boat, briefly, with Jack Dempsey; Roger Kahn's unforgettable "The Boys of Summer," and "Instant Replay," by Jerry Kramer and Dick Schaap.

Finally, Holtzman chose "The Sweet Science," by A.J. Liebling; George Plimpton's hilarious "Paper Lion"; Larry Ritter's gloriously nostalgic "The Glory of Their Times"; and Bill Veck's impudent, candid "Veck — as in Wreck," with Ed Lim.

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If the NHL were smart, it would try to insure the arrival of more European imports and the improvement of its product by providing the Europeans with a fair shake from its Canadian players and referees. Instead, it appears that NHL President John Ziegler is condoning a macho philosophy that not only will deter other Europeans from signing with NHL teams but also will influence some NHL players to go to Europe, as ex-Canadian Jacques Lemaire did this year.

Mistaken Violence

"They sold hockey on its toughness," Lemaire said not long ago of NHL club owners. "Come see the toughest sport in the world, all that stuff. They put themselves in an ugly corner because you have crowds that come to see fights and brutality. If I were a fan, that wouldn't be the reason I'd go to see hockey, but they are the people who are buying the tickets."

More than any other local team in recent years, the Rangers have inspired obscene behavior by some of its customers. Hockey's increased violence has been a factor.

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But U. of Washington Keeps Cup

Egyptian Oarsmen Strong In Finale of Nile Regatta

By Norman Hildesheim

CAIRO, Dec. 27 (NYT) — The host Egyptian rowing teams provided all the surprises today, as the ninth annual Nile International Rowing Festival concluded here.

The University of Washington, the U.S. entry and defending defending 1978 champion, retained the Nile Regatta Cup, as the Huskies won the featured eight-oared event, but the team trophy for the most points scored in all events raced today went to Egypt for the first time in the regatta's history.

The Egyptians have been staging the festival since 1971 to provide their teams with international-caliber competition, and 1979 became the year when their efforts bore results.

Egypt's oarsmen captured the single-oar event, placed second and third in the pair-with-coxswain, and beat Washington for second in the four-with-coxswain, won by Britain's Leander Club.

Only in the eights did Egypt not finish in the medals, as an English-speaking trio swept the top three places.

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Bob Manno upends Moscow Dynamo's Alexei Frefikov in a Wednesday exhibition in Vancouver. The Canucks won, 6-2.

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THE SWEET LIFE

For Bowl Team

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 27 (UPI) — Arkansas Coach Lou Holtz, known for his laid-back style, last night said he would give his players two days without curfew to enjoy the pleasures of the French Quarter before forcing them to buckle down and prepare for the Sugar Bowl game with Alabama.

"I've been on Bourbon Street before," said Holtz. "We have Dixon Street up in Fayetteville, Ark., and they're going to find out there's a lot of difference between Bourbon and Dixon streets."

"Basically, our rule on bowl games is that abuse leads to restrictions," Holtz said. "The first couple of nights there won't be a bed-check. If there's abuse, pretty soon we'll have to put a curfew on them. My wife taught me that. She suggests that I come home at a certain time, and if I do, I'm in good shape. But if I start coming in late, I'll get a bed-check."

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Rosewall Retires From Pro Tennis

SYDNEY, Dec. 27 (Reuters) — Ken Rosewall, after a tennis career spanning almost three decades, has announced his retirement after the Australian Open.

The 45-year-old Australian decided to call it quits after an inglorious 6-1, 6-2 defeat by Phil Dent in the first round of the New South Wales Open last week.

After the match he declared: "I think it's about time I turned my attention to things other than playing tennis." He said he wanted to get more involved in the commercial side of the sport, such as building court complexes and supervising training camps and clinics.

Rosewall was not alone in his decision. Another Australian stalwart, 34-year-old Tony Roche, announced the following day that he, too, would soon quit the big events.

Over 35s
"I'd still like to have a crack at the new over-35 circuit and maybe even the over-45s," Rosewall said. "I think I've still got enough left to give those circuits a real shake."

If he does, he could take revenge on some of the players who denied him a place at the pinnacle of tennis.

For though he won four Australian Open titles, two U.S. Opens and two French Opens, he never achieved the championship at Wimbledon, the most coveted title.

He reached the final there four times. The first was in 1954, when he was 19 and was stopped in four sets by Jaroslav Drobny of Czechoslovakia. Two years later Lew Hoad

of Australia thwarted him in another four-setter, and in 1970 after a highly successful professional career, he was beaten by another Australian, John Newcombe, in a 5-7, 6-3, 6-3, 3-6, 6-1 marathon.

Ball Upsets Pfister

MELBOURNE, Dec. 27 (AP) — Syd Ball pulled off one of the biggest upsets of the Australian Tennis Championships at Kooyung today by defeating Hank Pfister, the No. 4 seed, 7-5, 4-6, 6-4, 6-3.

The 29-year-old Australian, who was on the verge of quitting his career as a globe-trotting professional, scored his first singles match victory in almost a year. He had played only nine tournaments this year and had been forced to pre-qualify.

Top seed Guillermo Vilas also sailed to an effortless 6-4, 6-2, 6-4 victory over Alvin Gardiner. Vilas has not dropped a set in his two rounds, and is seeking to become the first player since Ken Rosewall in 1971-72 to win two successive Australian Opens.

Vilas needed a police guard to escort him through milling fans. Mobbed by screaming "tennis-boppers," he was literally dragged to the shelter of the dressing room while the tournament director ordered a police guard. The police formed a wedge to help him through an estimated 1,000 youngsters — mostly girls.

Veteran Tony Roche went into the third round with a 7-5, 6-2, 7-6 victory over Geoff Masters. Rick Fisher, who beat second-seed John Alexander yesterday, fell to hard-serving Colin Dibley 6-2, 3-6, 6-3, 2-6, 7-5.

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